



# ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FUEL ASSISTANCE COMPONENT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

2005

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# HELP

#### **POLICY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research answer in the manual. <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/ea\_manual.pdf">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/ea\_manual.pdf</a>
- 2. Ask your Supervisor giving him/her any manual reference.
- 3. Try <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/faq.cgi">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/faq.cgi</a>

#### **DATA ENTRY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research procedure in Quick Reference Guide.
- 2. Note all error message numbers and follow instructions for each.

#### **NEW INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

1. Check FAQ, Helpful Hints, Broadcast system or e-mail.

#### 2. IF Unresolved...

The agency contact person should call the Magic Help Desk @ 1-800-223-8846. Select Option 1 for an operator. You can also email them at <a href="mailto:dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us">dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</a>. Be prepared with your policy or procedural question, case name and number, or system problem. If a system problem indicate which function used, error message and number in the top left corner of the screen.

#### **BILLING QUESTIONS**

Payments of Fuel Assistance bills are keyed at Central Office. Refer fuel vendors to the Vendor Coordinator in Richmond for resolution of billing problems.

Kristen Miles kristen.miles@dss.virginia.gov (804) 726-7373 FAX # (804) 726-7358

#### **VENDOR AGREEMENT QUESTIONS**

Questions regarding terms of the vendor agreement should be referred to Kristen Miles at (804) 726-7373 or emailed to <a href="mailes@dss.virginia.gov">kristen.miles@dss.virginia.gov</a>.

A copy of the vendor agreement can be found at: http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.html

## **PROGRAM CONTACTS**

A Program Consultant is assigned to each locality. Please use the MAGIC Helpdesk at 1-800-223-8846 or email questions at <a href="mailto:dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us">dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</a> to submit your questions to your Program Consultant. Using MAGIC will allow questions to be answered even in the absence of your assigned Consultant. Please allow three (3) working days for a response to your question.

# **ACRONYMS**

ADAPT	Application Benefit Delivery Automation Project	IEVS	Income Eligibility Verification System
AG	Auxiliary Grant	LDSS	Local Department of Social Services
BD	Benefit Determination	LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
BP	Benefit Programs	LP	Liquid Propane (bottled gas)
CA	Credit Authorization	LWA	Local Welfare Agency
CAP	Community Action Program	LWAP	Local Weatherization Agency Project
CID	Case Input Document	MAX	Maximum
CRISIS	Crisis Assistance Component	PA	Public Assistance
DOB	Date of Birth	QRG	Quick Reference Guide
EAP	Energy Assistance Program	SDX	State Data Exchange
ED	Eligibility Determination	SEW	Senior Eligibility Worker
ESP	Employment Services Program	SSA	Social Security Administration
EW	Eligibility Worker	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
FA	Fuel Assistance Component	SVES	State Verification Exchange System
FC	Foster Care	TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
FIPS	Agency locality code	TD	Turnaround Document
FS	Food Stamps	VACIS	Virginia Client Information System
GR	General Relief	VDSS	Virginia Department of Social Services
НН	Household	VIEW	Virginia Initiative for Employment Not Welfare
НО	Home Office	WAP	Weatherization Assistance Program

Commonwealth of Virginia - Department of Soc	cial Services		AGENCY	USE ON	LY:	_	_	
Locality/FIPS Case	e#	ADAPT	#			Date Application R	eceived	Worker #
PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTION	IS COMPLETE		ASSISTANO	CE AP				ay in October through 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday in Novemb
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Mailing Address			City/State	:			_Zip	Home Phone:
Directions to home								Email Address
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3. Are all people in your household Un	nited States citi	zens?YESNO	If no, w	/ho?				
4. Is anyone in your household disable	ed?YES	NO If yes, w	ho?					
5. How many people live in your hour		]	. 41 1		C	1	c 1	
L	RELATION	st and every person living			Coi	mplete informati 	INCOME	rson.
NAME	TO PERSON ON LINE #1 Self	SOCIAL SECURITY#	DATE OF BIRTH	WORI	KING N	INCOME AMOUNT	PAID weekly, biweekly, monthly	LIST ALL SOURCES OF INCOME Employer for earned income, Self-employed, Social Security, SSI, VA benefit, Child Support, etc.

6. Circle ALL types of household income: A. T	TANF <b>B.</b> Social Security	C. SSI D. Unemploymen	E. Employment or Self-employed	G. General Relief
H. VA Benefits N. Worker's Compensation	Q. Support or Alimony U. R	ental Income W. Retirement	Other:specify	
7. Do you receive a check from the Division of Child	Support Enforcement?YES	NO How much?	Who pays the child support?	
8. Does any household member receive Food Stamps	S? YESNO If yes,	case name		
<b>9.</b> Does anyone pay for Medicare Part B insurance?	YESNO If yes,	who?	How much? \$	
10. Does any household member receive Medicaid?	YESNO If yes,	case name		
11. Is Medicaid Home & Community-Based Care rec	eived?YESNO If yes,	by whom?	Patient pay amount	is \$
12. CIRCLE equipment used most frequently to hea	at your home. CIRCLE ONLY O	ONE.		
<b>A.</b> Furnace <b>B.</b> Radiator	C. Portable Heater	D. Vented Space He	ater (heater with outside exhaust or Monitor	system)
E. Baseboard F. Heat Pump	G. Fireplace	H. Coal or Wood Stove	<b>J.</b> Cook stove <b>K.</b> None	L. Unknown
13. Circle the fuel used most frequently to heat your	home. CIRCLE ONLY ONE.			
1. Electricity 2. Natural Gas 3.	Oil (#2) 4. Clear Kerosene	<b>5.</b> Coal <b>6.</b> Wood <b>7.</b> Land	iquid Propane(LP)/Bottled Gas 0. Red l	Kerosene
What size is your fuel tank?	_ gallons			
14. Name and address of the company used for home	heating.			
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In whose name is the bill?		Ac	ecount Number	
Who is responsible for paying the bill?				
FUEL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION DATES:	Applications are accepted from a	the second Tuesday in October i	through the second Friday in November	
I certify that the above statements and attachments ar occur in my situation. I understand that I or any men services has granted permission to sell. Any benefits race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disal eligible, I may be breaking the law and could be pros State laws. If I completed, or assisted in completing law and could be prosecuted. I understand the Depart and analysis to the extent allowed by state and federa eligibility for assistance or to give information in my Notice will be mailed in late December.	e true and correct to the best of maker of my household cannot sell a received must be used for the pur bility. If I give false information, ecuted for perjury, larceny and/or this application form and aided an ment of Social Services may use it law. My signature authorizes the	merchandise purchased on my be pose approved. I may file a com- withhold information, fail to rep- fraud; subject to imprisonment of d abetted the applicant to obtain nformation on this application of e Department of Social Services	chalf through the program unless the local dapplaint if I feel I have been discriminated agort changes promptly, or obtained assistance of up to 20 years and further prosecuted und assistance for which he/she is not eligible, I that I may be contacted for the purposes of to obtain any verification needed to establis	epartment of social ainst because of my e for which I am not er other Federal and I may be breaking the f research, evaluation th my household's
Applicant Signature or Mark and Witness			Date Date	
Completed on behalf of applicant by:			Date	

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Commonwealth of Virginia - Department of Social Services	AGENCY USE ONLY:
Locality/FIPS Case Status:	Non PA PA ADAPT #
FUEL ASSISTANCE W	ORKSHEET/EVALUATION
Case Name:	Case #:
PART I - NONFINANCIAL	
Is the application complete and signed? YES	
NO	
Is the household in an eligible living arrangement	
(Codes A, C, E, G, or P)? YES NO	
re all household members U.S. citizens? YES	# ELICIDI E DEONI E DI HOUSEHOLD
NO	# ELIGIBLE PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD
Is there a household member age 60 or over? YES  NO	# Doomlo oog 60 and over
Is there a verified disabled household member? YES	# People age 60 and over
NO	+ - # Disabled people
110	" Disasted people
How verified?	= # People eligible for medical
	deduction
Is there a child under age 6? YES	dediction
NO	
No medical deduction for child under age 6.	
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Does the household have a heating expense? YES NO	
PART II – FINANCIAL	INCOME VERIFICATION
	Count income received month prior to month of application
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#### **Fuel Assistance Worksheet**

The worksheet must be completed for every application.

#### Part I – Non Financial

Answer each question.

If any household member is not a US Citizen, determine whether to include in household size and whether to count income.

If there is no heating expense household is not eligible.

Determine number of household members eligible for medical deduction.

#### Part II -- Financial

All income documentation must be entered in this section.

No Medicare Part B premium indicated on application = no deduction

Medicare Part B premium declared = deduction from countable income

#### **FORMS**

Forms can be found at http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi or in the forms warehouse at http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/dgs/warehouse.cgi

#### PAPER REPORTS

FAP-01R-1 - FUEL APPLICATION - "B" LISTING - An alpha listing of all clients/cases in database for a specific locality. The list is generated prior to the start of the Fuel Component. An asterisk (\*) is beside each case to which an application was mailed. An equal (=) sign is beside each case that was automatically approved and to whom an Approval Letter was sent. This list can be used to respond to client inquiry regarding whether or not an application was mailed or the case was pre-approved

FAP-08R-1, A bi-weekly alpha report containing case #, Worker I.D., application date, max benefit amount, disposition date and status, amount paid to date, and remaining benefit. Use as a monitoring tool for agency workers and client inquiry.

#### SYSTEM GENERATED REPORTS

Listed below are reports that can be either viewed or printed at the local agency. Reports are updated daily should be checked daily. Instruction on inquiring on these reports can be found in the Fuel System Inquiries module found on the Energy Assistance web training site.

**FUEL/CRISIS EFFECTIVENESS** 

unmet needs

REPORT

LOC MASTER	Encumbrances and expenditures by program component are provided. Enter a locality FIPS code for local statistics or 990 for statewide statistics.
RETURNED CHECKS	Lists returned or undeliverable client checks. Action must be taken within 5 days to reissue or cancel.
APPROVED VENDORS	A list of all vendors for a locality and the type of service provided by the vendor.
UNPAID FUEL	Available from February 15 until program closure. Provides, optionally by worker, agency or vendor # an alpha listing updated daily of approved Fuel cases for which no payment has been made. Worker #, case name, case #, vendor # and the unpaid benefit amount are displayed. This report is used to detect a need to issue a credit authorization to the correct vendor.
FUEL PENDING	Provides, optionally by worker or agency, an alpha listing updated daily of all pending fuel applications. Worker # case name, case #, application date, fuel type and # of days pending is displayed.
EQUIPMENT DENIALS	Provides list of denied Fuel applications and closed cases due to ineligible equipment type codes. Review list to determine accuracy of coding or need for Crisis application. Case action will be reflected in updated listing which provides case number, denial or closure, original disposition date, heating equipment type, vulnerable status (age 60 and over, disabled, under 6 years of age), last fuel disposition & disposition date, last Crisis disposition, last Crisis disposition date, client's last name, and locality FIPS

Statewide and local case count and expenditure statistics for the previous season used for reporting to General Assembly.

The number of cases needing assistance from other programs and select denial reasons are shown to provide an idea of

#### **VENDOR LIST - ACCESSING AND READING**

Note: Dual localities should highlight the locality FIPS code at the top of the page to avoid confusion.

Click Energy Assistance Inquiry on the TUMS menu.

Tab down to Reports Menu and press enter

Tab down to Approved Vendors and press enter.

Press the F7 key to print your list

The following fields are displayed across the page:

**Vendor** # A six digit number beginning with 100 has been assigned to each vendor.

**Services & Fuel** Fuel types provided by the vendor are identified by code for the fuel component to the **right** of the field.

0 = Red Kerosene 4 = Clear Kerosene

1 = Electricity 5 = Coal 2 = Natural Gas 6 = Wood

3 = Fuel Oil 7 = Liquid Propane (LP)/Bottled Gas

**Vendor Name** Company name, city of location and the telephone number are shown.

#### **INPUT DOCUMENTS**

It is not necessary to use an Input document to record data to be entered into the system. If an Input document is used a clean document with no preprinted information is preferable for the initial entry of data. There are three types of input documents.

#### A blank document can be found:

http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/files/ea/forms/General Energy Assistance/032-03-080.pdf

"B" document = a computer generated document containing preprinted information taken from the Food Stamp database or from the Energy Assistance database based on matchable demographic data. Caution must be exercised when using a "B" document to activate this year's applications. All pre-approved fuel assistance cases will receive B Documents with A1 in disposition code field.

**Turnaround Document (TD)** = a computer generated document containing information from a previous component. Caution must be exercised when using a TD to activate this year's applications. It could cause incorrect data to be used if not corrected and updated with current information.

A turnaround document (TD) is optionally printed in the agency as a result of pending an application or when a change is entered in the system. The TD is printed when PID # is entered on the menu prior to entering/updating data. If a TD is not desired 999 must be entered in lieu of PID #.

# **ERRORS MESSAGE & CORRECTIONS**

Error messages result from incorrectly keyed information. Messages consist of a 3 digit numeric code and some have an alpha character, eg. 502A. The alpha character helps Data Systems identify the area in which the error has occurred in the system. To resolve an error read the message carefully and correctly re-key the element in which the error has occurred. If changing the information keyed in the element in question does not resolve your problem, print a copy of the screen showing the error message(s) or press Alt and Print Screen buttons simultaneously and paste screen copy into an email and send to your Program Consultant. Please contact the MAGIC Helpdesk with the above information including the case name, case number, error message and attempted transaction.

Error correction and change requests are accomplished by submission of the Action Request Form or calling or emailing in a MAGIC Helpdesk ticket.. The Action Request Form is a generic form to request several different actions to be taken by your Energy Assistance Consultant. Complete the appropriate section completely and forward this form by fax (804) 726-7358 or pouch to your Energy Consultant.

The action request form is located at:

http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/files/ea/forms/General\_Energy\_Assistance/032-03-639.pdf

Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Social Services Energy Assistance Program  ACTION REQUEST FORM
FROM: Locality/FIPS LDSS Worker LDSS Worker's Email Telephone Number
Supervisor Name Telephone Number Date Prepared and Sent
The change indicated below is needed in the $\square$ Fuel, $\square$ Crisis, $\square$ Cooling component of the following case:
Case Name
A DVDDGT DAVANDED
I. DIRECT PAY NEEDED  Indicate Change Reason:
(A) Renter with heat/cooling included (E) Unique vendor, no contract exists
(B) No vendor contract for fuel type (F) Central Office decision or appeal (Contact will advise)
(C) Fuel storage tank under 100 gallons (G) Island pump purchases of oil/kerosene
(D) Primary fuel type coal or wood
Change fuel type from to Change equipment type from to to  Is this an agency error?
Explain why change needed.
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II. REMOVE WARRANTY OR SECURITY DEPOSIT
WARRANTY - Date currently in system? SECURITY DEPOSIT - Original Date
Vendor # Which type? (Select one) (1) \[ \subseteq \text{Electric (2)} \subseteq \text{Nat. Gas (7)} \subseteq \text{LP gas}
REASON:
Include copy of original equipment warranty whenever possible
Home Office Use Only:
Tionic one one only.

Fax this form to your Program Consultant at 804-726-7358

Disposition:

Data Entry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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EAP Consultant's Signature:

# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

# **Trouble shooting**

**SYSTEM** 

Data Entry Date: Disposition:

**PROBLEM** 

**ACTION** 

**Trouble shooting** 

Case number incorrect

See Chapter E, App. A

**PROBLEM ACTION** 

Social Security number incorrect

Do not activate case. Complete Action Request Form and send to EAP Consultant or call/email the MAGIC Helpdesk. Wait

for response.

**DIRECT PAYMENTS** 

Check not received Check payment history screen to confirm it was issued.

Follow procedures in Chapter E 5.

Name on check incorrect Follow the cancelled check procedure in Chapter E 6.

Change name in system. Request re-issuance through your

Program Consultant.

**VENDOR** 

Vendor number incorrect Obtain incorrect CA and make change in

the system.

Have customer confirm acct. # with vendor. Unpaid fuel utility benefit

Utility account number incorrect Change account # in the system.

Change to Direct pay Complete Action Request Form and send to

EAP Consultant or call/email the MAGIC

Helpdesk.

No CA received by vendor Check CA Inquiry for date generated; if

more than a week ago call (804) 726-7358

for reissue

## **INCORRECT PAYMENT**

Living arrangement Incorrect

Agency error. Repay overpayment to State. Pay underpayments to customer or vendor (Chapter E 4)

Living arrangement Incorrect

Customer error. Collect overpayment from the customer.

Underpayments are not corrected (Chapter E 4)

#### **DISPOSITION CODES**

#### **COMPUTER GENERATED**

P1 = Pending

## Codes resulting from "ED" (eligibility determination)

A1 = Approved

R1 = Reopen in new locality

R4 = Reopen in same locality

#### **Denials**

D1 = Income exceeds maximum income level

D3 = Ineligible living arrangement

D4 = No heating expense

D5 = Ineligible alien status

#### Closures

C1 = Income exceeds maximum level

C3 = Ineligible living arrangement

C4 = No heating expense

C5 = Ineligible alien status

#### LOCALLY ENTERED

#### **Denials**

DI = Failed to provide income verification

DJ = Member of another household

DP = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

DQ =-Not responsible for cooling bills or equipment

DR = Applicant's request

DT = Application received after deadline

DU = Death of only eligible household member

DV = Not a resident of this locality

DW = Application already on file with different case #

DY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

#### Closures

CI = Failed to provide income verification

CJ = Member of another household

CP = Moved or unable to locate

CR = Applicant's request

CT = Application received after deadline

CU = Death of only eligible household member

CV = Not a resident of this locality

CW = Application already on file with different case #

CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

# **CHANGING DISPOSITION CODES**

P1 = System generated on initial entry; can be changed to ED for resulting A1 or R4 code. Also, can be changed to DI – DY for local denial
ED= Eligibility Determination; results in an A1, C0 – C5, D1 – D5, or R4 disposition code
A1= Approved; can be changed to ED for resulting A1 code or to CI to CY to deny or close the case.
D = Denied; any denial code can be changed to ED or P1 or to a local denial code of DI – DY.
C = Closed; any closure codes can be changed to P1, ED for resulting R1 or R4 or to CI – CY.
R1= Reopen in new locality; can be changed to ED for resulting R1 code or to CI to CY to deny or close the case
R4= Reopen in same locality; can be changed to ED for resulting R4 code or to CI to CY to deny or close the case.
NOTE: A CASE IN "C" STATUS CAN ONLY BE CHANGED TO ANOTHER "C" CODE

#### LOCAL DISPOSITION CODE CLIENT NOTICE MESSAGES

Denial code and closure code second character is identical. Be sure to pick the code that best reflects the appropriate message for the case situation. Also determine appropriate use of closure or denial code from the changing disposition code section of this guide.

- DI or CI = Failed to provide income verification
  - Your application for fuel assistance was denied for failure to provide income verification of all persons in the home.
- DJ or CJ = Member of another household

Your application for fuel assistance was denied. You are considered a member of another eligible household.

DP or CP = Unable to locate applicant

Your application for fuel assistance has been denied. You have either moved from this locality or into someone else's home, or we have been unable to contact you.

- DQ or CQ = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment
  - Your application for fuel assistance has been denied. You have not provided proof that you are responsible for heating your home.
- DR or CR = Applicant's request

Your application for fuel assistance has been denied. You or a household member requested withdrawal of the application. If this information is incorrect, please contact the agency immediately.

DT or CT = Application received after program deadline

Your application for fuel assistance has been denied. This is a seasonal Program and the application period has ended. Your application was received after the Program application period ended.

DU or CU = Death of only eligible HH member

The application for fuel assistance has been denied. A program eligible household member no longer resides in the home. Contact us if this information is incorrect.

DV or CV = Not a resident of this locality

Your application for fuel assistance has been denied because you do not live in this locality. Please apply prior to the application deadline in the locality where you reside.

- DW or CW = Application already on file (THIS IS ONLY USED IF YOU RECEIVE A SECOND APPLICATION WITH A DIFFERENT CASE NUMBER)
  Your application for fuel assistance has been denied. An application was previously received and approved for assistance. An additional application is not necessary.
- DY or CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification.

Your application for fuel assistance has been denied for failure to provide requested verifications. Please contact the local agency and provide the requested verification for possible re-evaluation of your situation.

## **FUEL ASSISTANCE TRANSACTIONS**

The following pages provide guidance on processing applications for Fuel Assistance.

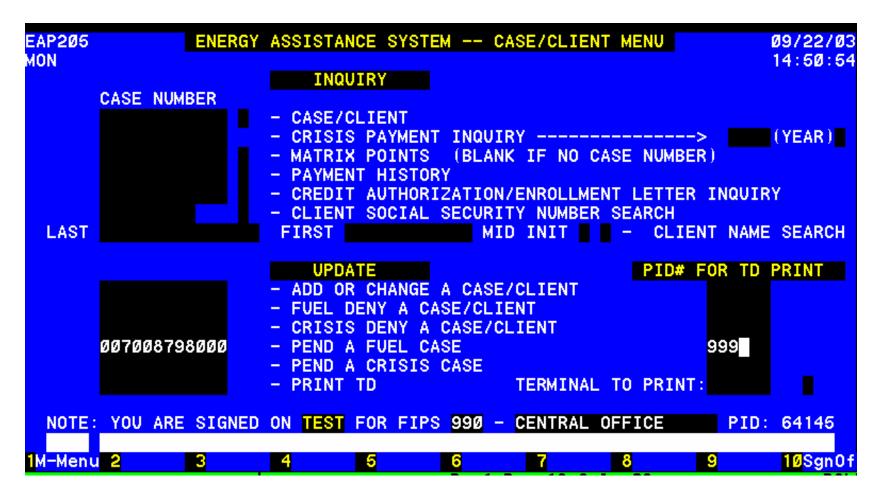
Completion of an Input Document is not necessary. Data can be keyed directly from the application form.

Instruction on the necessary data to be entered on a screen to accomplish a transaction on an application for Fuel Assistance or to make changes to an active case is also provided.

Use function key **F4** to access the Fuel screen.

Only use function key **F1** or **F8** when you have completed a transaction.

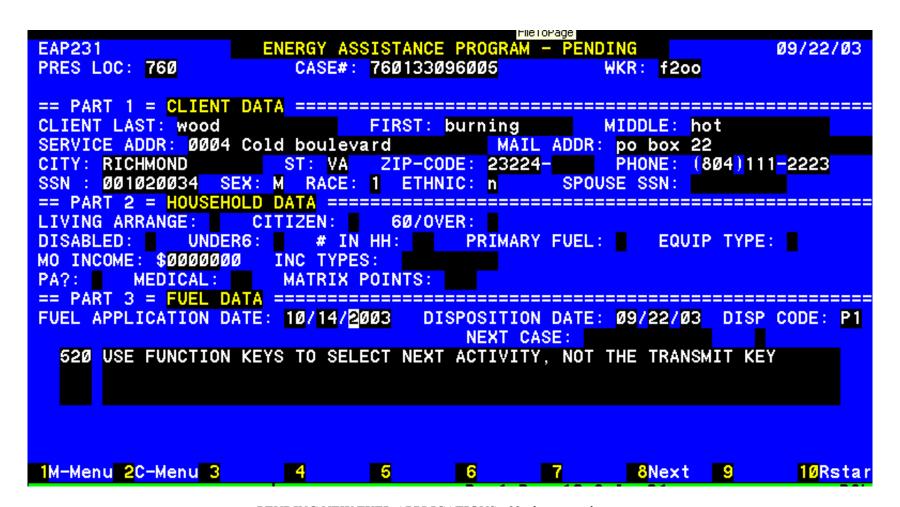
Function key **F10** voids the transaction and allows you to start the transaction over.



PENDING AN APPLICATION

Enter the case number of a new or existing case/application under PENDING and enter the PID to print a Turnaround document. If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill.

TRANSMIT to complete required information for pending the application.



#### **PENDING NEW FUEL APPLICATIONS** – Not known to the system

Complete the following: Social Security # of applicant Male or Female or Unknown Worker ID

> Race: Enter one: 1 = White, 2 = Black, 3 = Am. Indian/Alaskan Native PART 1 – CLIENT DATA

**4** = Asian, **5** = Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; **0** = Other

Ethnicity: Enter 1 or Y for Hispanic/Latino or 2 or N for not Hispanic/Latino

Spouse Social Security #, if known

PART 4 – FUEL DATA

Fuel application date.

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

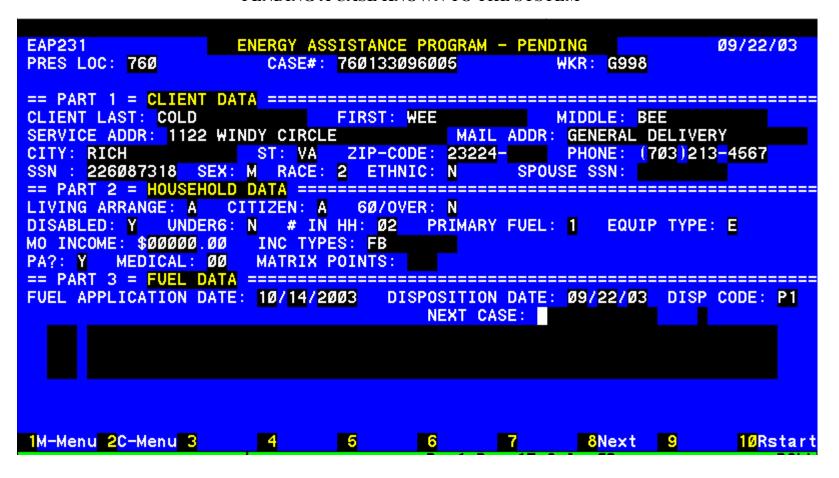
Service Address or delivery address: Do not punctuate. Enter house

number, street name and Apt #

Mailing address: Re-enter the service address if the same, otherwise enter P O Box General Delivery, RFD, etc).

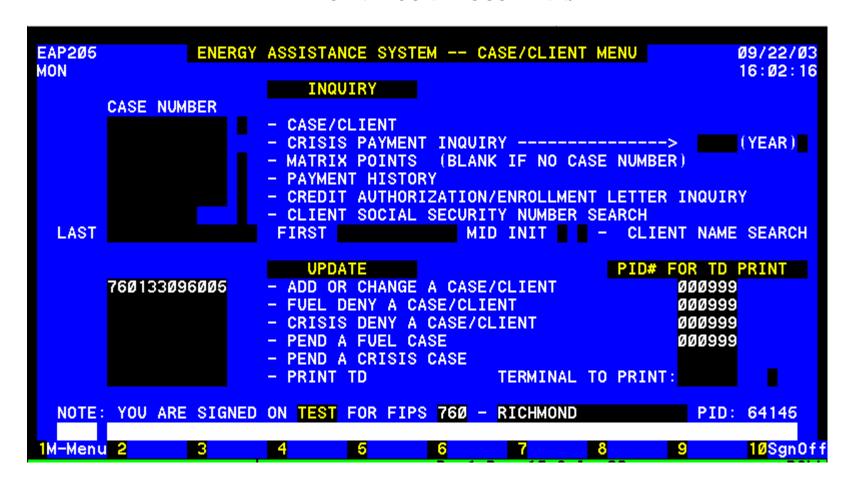
Day Phone #.

#### PENDING A CASE KNOWN TO THE SYSTEM



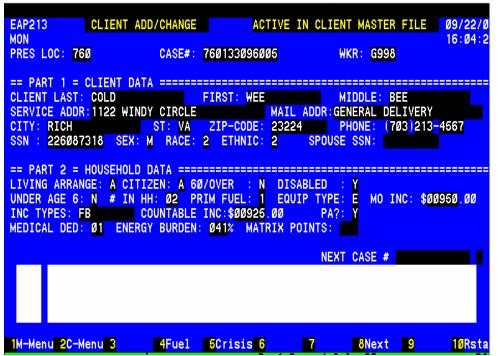
Complete only the worker number and the Fuel Application date under Fuel Data. The information previously entered in the system will populate the screen. This information may need to be changed prior to determining eligibility.

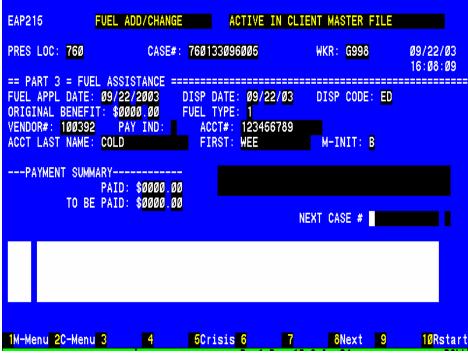
#### TURNAROUND DOCUMENTS



#### UPDATING THE SYSTEM

An application can be pended, approved or denied at initial entry. Enter the case number of a pended, new or existing case/application under UPDATE and enter the PID to print a Turnaround document. If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill. **TRANSMIT.** 





#### **DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY**

Client Data was entered when case was pended.

PART 2 - HOUSEHOLD DATA to be entered:

**Prim Fuel:** Enter the appropriate code:

0 = Red Kerosene4 = Clear Kerosene

5 = Coal1 = Electricity2 = Nat Gas6 = Wood3 = Fuel Oil7 = L P Gas

**PA?** Enter Y or N for a TANF, Food Stamps, Medicaid, GR or SSI Case. **Medical Ded**: (00 - 10): count once each aged or disabled in household.

<b>Living Arrange</b> : Enter appropriate code from application:				
A = Homeowner, pays fuel bills	I = Roomer			
B = Homeowner/renter no fuel bills	L = Lives in an ineligible facility or			
C = Renter pays fuel bills	institution			
E = Renter, fuel included in rent	P = Lives rent free in more than one			
F = Renter pays excess usage charges	room pays fuel bills			
G = Subsidized renter pays some fuel bills	Q = Temporarily lives in an emergency			
Tugina in an in	shelter			

**Citizen**: Enter one of the following:

A = HH members US citizens B = HH contains eligible aliens C = HH has one or more ineligible aliens D = HH of all ineligible aliens 60/over: Enter Y or N. Disabled: Enter Y or N. Under Age 6: Enter Y or N. # in HH – enter 2 digit numbers, 01, 02, etc. **MO INC**: enter gross amount using leading zeros.

Enter ALL appropriate codes. NOTE: Codes K and M are only used with F.

A = TANFM = NoneB = SSAN = Worker's Comp.C = SSIO = Other earned incomeD = UnemploymentP = Ins. Benefits, multiple pmt. E = EarnedQ = Contributions/ Support/Alimony S = Installment Contract F = Food StampsG = GRT = Monetary GiftH = VA Benefits U = Rental Income V = Educational Benefits I = VA Aid & Attendance J = Comm Based Care (CBC) W = Other Retirement/Disability X = Other Unearned Income K = All SSI recipientsL = LottervY = Other PA Benefits

#### Hit Function Key F4 to go to PART 3 – FUEL

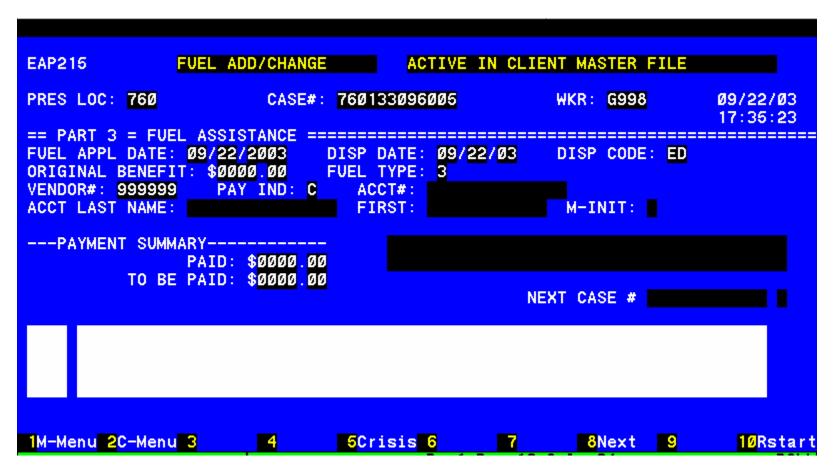
**Appl. Date:** Enter date if case not pended.

**Disp.** Code: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

**Vendor:** Use Fuel vendor list for locality.

Acct # & Acct Name: Last Name, First & M. Init: Required for Fuel Types 1 & 2.

Transmit using F1 or F8.



#### **DIRECT PAY SET UP**

#### Hit Function Key F4 to go to PART 3 – FUEL

**Appl. Date:** Enter date if case not pended.

**Disp.** Code: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

Vendor: Enter 999999

Pay Ind: Select

 $\mathbf{A} =$ Renter with heat included

 $\mathbf{B} = \text{No vendor contract for fuel type}$ 

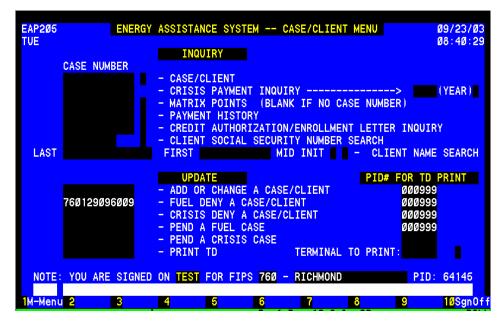
C = Fuel storage tank under 100 gallons

**D** = Primary fuel type coal or wood

**E** = Unique vendor, no contract exists

**G** = Island pump oil/kerosene

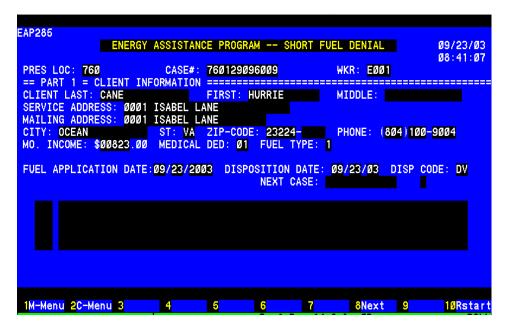
# TRANSMIT using F8 or F1.



**DENIAL – INITIAL ENTRY** 

Use this function when the application has not been pended and the reason for denial can not be determined by the system.

Enter case number and PID to access the short denial screen.



#### SHORT DENIAL SCREEN

Complete the following:

Worker ID

PART 1 - CLIENT INFO

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

Service Address: **Do not punctuate. Enter house number, street name and Apt.** #

Mailing address: Re-enter address or P O Box, General Delivery, RFD, etc).

Day Phone #.

Social Security # of applicant

MO Inc: using leading zeros enter dollar amount.

Medical Ded: # of disabled or age 60/over

Fuel application date.

#### **Disp. Code: reason for denial**

**DI** = Failed to provide income verification

**DJ** = Member of another household

**DL** = Transposed case info into wrong case #

**DP** = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

**DQ** = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment

**DR** = Applicant's request

**DT** = Fuel Application received after deadline

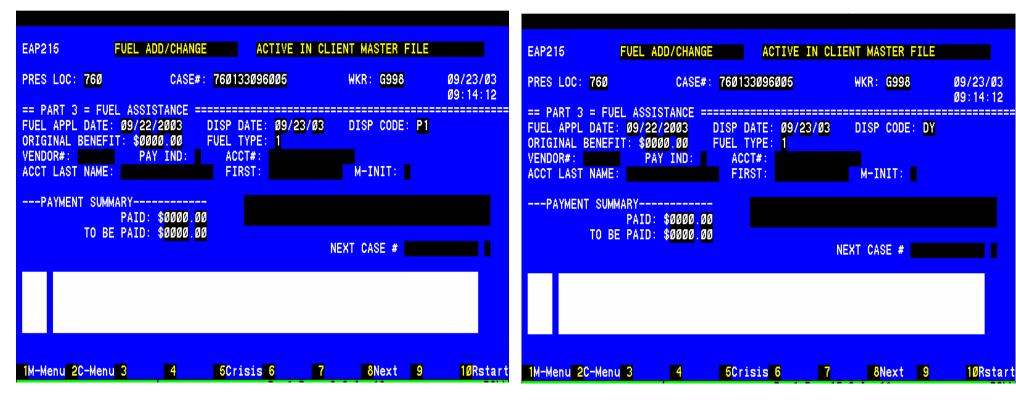
**DU** = Death of only eligible household member

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**DW** = Application already on file

**DY** = Failed to provide non-

financial verification



# **Deny Pended Application**

From the main screen in the EAP fuel system enter the case number and enter, select F4 to access the Fuel Add/Change screen.

# Enter appropriate local denial code.

**DI** = Failed to provide income verification

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#### **CHANGES**

#### BEFORE BENEFIT DETERMINATION

- 1. Select Case /Client from the Main Menu.
- 2. Tab down to the Update Section and enter the case number next to Add or Change a Case/Client
- 3. Enter print PID or 999 if no TD desired
- 4. Transmit
- 5. The Client Add/Change screen will appear
  - a. Part I Client Data
    - i. Change any info
    - ii. Strike function key F2 or F1 to complete action
  - b. Part II Household Data
    - i. Change any info
    - ii. Strike function key F4
    - iii. Enter disposition code ED
      - 1. if fuel type was changed be sure to change vendor and account info also
    - iv. Transmit using function key F8, F1 or F2

#### AFTER BENEFIT DETERMINATION

- 1. Complete same steps as before Benefit Determination.
- 2. Changes to the fuel type or vendors occur 10 days after changes are entered into the automated system.
  - a. Inquiry on fuel screen (F4) will display a blinking message "Change/final bill process pending. Press function F9 to display change."
  - b. Press F7 to view the pending change information. The screen will display the message "*Change record effective date.*"

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# **HELP**

#### **POLICY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research answer in the manual. Manual
- 2. Ask your Supervisor giving him/her any manual reference.
- 3. Research the Question and Answer section on the intranet at

http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/division
s/bp/ea/fag.cgi

#### **DATA ENTRY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research procedure in Quick Reference Guide.
- 2. Note all error message numbers and follow instructions for each.

## **NEW INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

1. Check Helpful Hints, Broadcast system or e-mail.

#### 2. IF Unresolved...

Have your agency contact call or email the MAGIC Helpdesk at 1-800-223-8846 or <a href="mailto:dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us">dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</a> with your issue. Have the name, case number, updated information, function used, and error message ready when preparing a ticket. Print the screen showing the error(s). Note the number in the top left corner of the screen showing the error when calling the Helpdesk

#### **BILLING QUESTIONS**

Local agencies should try to resolve all Cooling billing problems. Bills for cooling payments are keyed locally. Agencies must ensure that an **itemized bill** is attached to the credit authorization and charges are appropriate prior to paying the bill. If you are having problems with a vendor please contact the Vendor Coordinator for additional assistance.

#### **VENDOR AGREEMENT QUESTIONS**

See Agreements online. If unable to find answer or unsure of response refer vendor to the MAGIC Helpdesk at 1-800-223-88460 in Virginia or 1-804-371-0693 outside of Virginia or to the Vendor Coordinator at Home Office at 804-726-7373.

#### **PROGRAM CONTACTS**

We strongly encourage the use of the MAGIC Helpdesk. Contact the helpdesk at 1-800-223-8846 or email your question to them at <a href="mailto:dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us">dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</a>. Using the Helpdesk allows the first available Program Consultant to respond to your question.

# **ACRONYMS**

ADAPT	Application Benefit Delivery Automation Project	IEVS	Income Eligibility Verification System
AG	Auxiliary Grant	LDSS	<b>Local Department of Social Services</b>
BD	Benefit Determination	LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
BP	Benefit Programs	LP	Liquid Propane (bottled gas)
CA	Credit Authorization	LWA	Local Welfare Agency
CAP	Community Action Program	LWAP	<b>Local Weatherization Agency Project</b>
CID	Case Input Document	MAX	Maximum
CRISIS	Crisis Assistance Component	PA	Public Assistance
DOB	Date of Birth	QRG	Quick Reference Guide
DRG	Desk Reference Guide	SDX	State Data Exchange
EAP	Energy Assistance Program	SEW	Senior Eligibility Worker
ED	Eligibility Determination	SSA	Social Security Administration
ESP	<b>Employment Services Program</b>	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
EW	Eligibility Worker	SVES	State Verification Exchange System
FA	Fuel Assistance Component	TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
FC	Foster Care	TD	Turnaround Document
FIPS	Agency locality code	VACIS	Virginia Client Information System
FS	Food Stamps	VDSS	Virginia Department of Social Services
GR	General Relief	VIEW	Virginia Initiative for Employment Not Welfare
нн	Household	VIP	Virginia Independence Program
НО	Home Office	WAP	Weatherization Assistance Program

Commonwealth of Virginia - Department of Soc	eial Services		AGENCY	Y USE ON	LY:				
Locality/FIPS	Case #		Date A <sub>I</sub>	pplication l	Received		Wo	orker #	
PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS C			G ASSISTANCE			In what city or co		?	
NameLast Race (Circle One) 1. White 2. Bla			n or Alaskan Nati	Middle ve <b>4.</b>	SEX: Initial Asian			atino?YESNO c Islander	
Service Address		Ci	ty/State			Zip	_Zip Day Phone:		
Mailing Address		Ci	ty/State			Zip	Home Phone:_		
Directions to home							Email Address	S	
PART II  1. What is your cooling need? (Check a	ll that apply)								
A. Pick up portable fan	<b>B.</b> Pu	rchase/install window air con	ditioner	C.	. Repair	central air conditio	ner or heat pump	<b>D.</b> Payment of electric deposit	
E. Purchase/install ceiling, attic	or whole house far	nF. Repair ceiling, atti	c or whole house t	fan		G. Payment of elec	tric billH.	Self-pick-up/install window air conditioner	
<ul> <li>A. I own or am buying my home and pay</li> <li>B. I own or rent my home and do not pay</li> <li>C. I pay rent and also pay for cooling sep</li> <li>E. I pay rent &amp; my cooling is included in</li> <li>F. I live in subsidized housing Section 8, I and occasionally pay excess usage cha</li> <li>3. Are all people in your household United</li> <li>4. Is anyone in your household disabled?</li> </ul>	a cooling bill. arately. the rent paymen HUD, Public Hous rges. I States citizens?	t. I live in one ro L. I live in an ins P. I live rent-free Q. I live in an em	oom in someone el titution, group hor in more than one tergency shelter. I	se's houseme, treatme, treatment room, how have arra	e. nent cent use or ap inged to		lts. or heat/cooling. apartment or more	e than one room.	
5. How many people live in your househ	old?#	List yourself first a	and every person	living in	the hon	ne. Con	aplete information	n for each person	
NAME	RELATION TO PERSON ON LINE #1	SOCIAL SECURITY#	DATE OF BIRTH	WORI	KING N	INCOME AMOUNT	INCOME PAID weekly, biweekly, semi-monthly monthly	LIST ALL SOURCES OF INCOME Employer for earned income, Self-employed, Social Security, SSI, VA benefit, Child Support, etc.	
	Self								
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6. Circle ALL types of household income:	<b>A.</b> TANF <b>B.</b> Social Security <b>C.</b> SSI	<b>D.</b> Unemployment <b>E.</b> Employment or Self-em	ployed G. General Relief
H. VA Benefits N. Worker's Compensation	Q. Support or Alimony U. Rental Income	W. Retirement Other: specify	
7. Do you receive a check from the Division of Chi	ild Support Enforcement?YESNO H	ow much? Who pays the child support?	
8. Did you or any household member receive Fuel,	Crisis or Cooling Assistance in the past 12 month	s?YESNO If yes, case name	
9. Does any household member receive Food Stamp	ps?YESNO If yes, case name		
10. Does anyone pay for Medicare, Part B insurance	ee?YESNO If yes, who?	How muc	:h? \$
11. Does any household member receive Medicaid?	?YESNO If yes, case	name	
12. Is Medicaid Home & Community-Based Care r	received?YESNO If yes, by w	hom?	Patient pay amount is \$
13. Who owns or is responsible for any cooling equ	uipment in your home?		
14. Is there a portable or installed fan in your home	e?YESNO If yes, does it work?	YESNO	
15. Is there a window air conditioner or a central air	r conditioning unit in your home?YES	NO If yes, does it work?Y	YESNO
<b>16.</b> Name and address of the company used for hom <i>Verification from the utility company is needed</i> if	ne cooling.  if you cool with electricity. Attach a copy of you	r current electric bill. Complete the following:	
In whose name is the bill?		Account Number_	
Who is responsible for paying the bill?			
17. Where else have you applied for this assistance	?		
<b>18.</b> Do you have a heating expense?YES			
1. Electricity 2. Natural Gas 3. Oil	1 (#2) 4. Clear Kerosene 5. Coal 6. Wo	ood 7. LP/Bottled Gas 0. Red Kerosene	
19. Name and address of the company used for hom	ne heating.		
<b>20.</b> What is your account number for your heating v	vendor?		<u> </u>
COOLING ASSISTANCE	Application Dates: June 15 through August	Application I	Date:
		CERTIFICATION	
I understand that I or any member of my household benefits received must be used for the purpose appro- false information, withhold information, fail to repo If I completed, or assisted in completing this applica- understand the Department of Social Services may use	cannot sell merchandise purchased on my behalf it roved. I may file a complaint if I feel I have been out changes promptly, or obtain assistance for which ation form and aided and abetted the applicant to cluse information on this application or that I may be not of Social Services to obtain any verification to expect the services are considered.	I will notify the Department of Social Services within 5 dathrough the program unless the local department of social discriminated against because of my race, color, national of h I am not eligible, I may be breaking the law and could be betain assistance for which he/she is not eligible, I may be e contacted for the purposes of research, evaluation and are establish my household's eligibility for assistance or to give	services has granted permission to sell. Any origin, religion, sex, age, or disability. If I give be prosecuted for perjury, larceny and/or fraud. breaking the law and could be prosecuted. I halysis to the extent allowed by state and
Applicant Signature or Mark and Witness		Date	
Completed on behalf of applicant by:032-03-657 (6/05)	P	<b>Date</b>	

# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CASE NAME\_\_\_\_

FIPS\_\_\_\_\_

COOLING ASSISTANCE WORKSHEET/EVALUATION  CASE #	Application Date:			
PART I - NONFINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY FACTORS				
NO 9. Is this a PA case?	YES	NO		

	TAKT I-NON	THANCIAL ELIO	IDILITITACIONS		
1. Application signed?		a PA case?		YESNO	
2. Does HH live within locality?		responsible for coolir	ng equipment?	YESNON/A	
3. Are all household members U.S. citizens?		e a cooling expense?	_	YESNON/A	
4. Homeowner?		ere children under age		YESNO	
5. Renter?		is the total # of eligib	ble people in HH?		
<ol> <li>Roomer?</li> <li>Verified disabled household member?</li> </ol>	—YES	If was how many?	How varified?		
3. Household member age 60 ?	YES NO <b>7</b>	If yes, now many?	TOTAL # PEOPL	LE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAL DEDUCT	ION?
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	PART - II FI	INANCIAL ELIGIB	BILITY FACTORS		
	INCOME CALCULATION		VERIFICATIONS OF		
Countable Unearned Income	\$	Date Received G	Gross Amount Da	ate & Method of Verification	
Profit from self-employment	+				
Countable Earned	+				
Minus:					
Medicare Part B Premium	- <u> </u>				
Medicaid (CBC) Patient Pay	<del>-</del>				
DO NOT SUBTRACT \$25 MEDICAL DEDU	UCTION				
COUNTABLE GROSS INCOME	\$	INCOME ELIC	GIBLE? YES	NO	
	PART III - A	SSISTANCE REQU	JESTED/NEEDED	<del></del>	
. Pick Up Portable Fan (A):					
A. Does the household have any cool	ling equipment?	_	YESNO		
B. Is the equipment inoperable or un	nsafe?		YESNO		
Downsham and Installation of air andition	(D) .				
2. Purchase and Installation of air condition	ner (B):				
A. Does household have operable ed	quipment?		YES NO		
	written landlord statement verify repair response	onsibility?	YES NO	N/A	
C. Is there a warranty on existing eq			Date of purchase?	#Warranty years?	
	hased by Energy Assistance Program?	<del></del>	YES NO	<u> </u>	
E. Is the equipment inoperable or un		_	YES NO		
3. Repair central air conditioning unit or he	eat pump (C):				
A. Is central air conditioning unit or	heat pump inoperable or unsafe?	YES	NO		
	ased by Energy Assistance Program?	YES -	NO Date of purchase?	#Warranty years?	
C. Is there a warranty on existing eq		YES	NO		
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4. Security Deposit (D):Electricity (1)
A. Is account in household member's name?  B. Is service address on account same as applicant's service address?  C. Required for cooling?  D. Verified HH has applied for service?  E. Does assistance ensure service?  YES  NO  N/A  YES  NO  N/A  N/A
5. Purchase and Installation of ceiling, attic or whole house fan (E):
A. Does household have operable equipment?  B. Does lease, rental agreement or written landlord statement verify repair responsibility?  C. Is there a warranty on existing equipment?  D. Was equipment previously purchased by Energy Assistance Program?  E. Is the equipment inoperable or unsafe?  YES  NO  NA  Date of purchase?  YES  NO  YES  NO  YES  NO  YES  NO  YES  NO  YES  NO
6. Repair of Installed fan (F):
A. Does lease, rental agreement or written landlord statement verify repair responsibility?  B. Is the equipment inoperable or unsafe?  C. Is warranty coded in EAP system on existing equipment?  D. Will warranty cover maintenance?  YES  NO  YES  NO  NO  YES  NO
7. Payment of Electric bill (G):
A. Is payment of electric or gas needed to operate cooling equipment?YESNO  B. Is account in household member's name or service address on account same as applicant's service address?YESNO  C. For disconnection notices is there verification of payment or an agency pledge for the difference between maximum benefit and disconnect amount?YESNO  8. Self Pick-up and Self Installation of an Air Conditioning Unit (H):
A. Does household have an operable air conditioner?  B. Is the equipment inoperable or unsafe?  C. Was equipment previously purchased by Energy Assistance Program?  D. Is there a warranty on existing equipment?  YES  NO  Date of purchase?  Warranty years?  E. Does lease, rental agreement or written landlord statement allow installation?  YES  NO  NO  N/A
PART IV - OTHER RESOURCES Required if yes in Part III, 1.C. or 2.H  1. Are community resources available? YES NO If yes, what?  2. Are other resources needed to cover full need? YES NO If yes, contributor's name & amount contributed  3. Is co-payment required? YES NO Date paid? Amount paid? \$
PART V - ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION  Eligibility Determination, "ED"  Approved for (type(s) of assistance) Ineligible, indicate local denial code
Eligibility Worker Signature: Worker # Date
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# **Forms**

Forms can be found at http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi

# Reports

# **PAPER**

Cooling – A bi-weekly alpha report containing case #, Worker I.D., application date, max benefit amount, disposition date and **CAP-08R-2** status, amount paid to date, and remaining benefit. Use as a monitoring tool for agency workers and client inquiry.

**SYSTEM GENERATED** - Listed below are reports that can be either viewed or printed at the local agency. Reports are updated daily and should be checked daily. Instruction on inquiring on these reports can be found in the Cooling System Inquiries module found on the Energy Assistance web training site.

# FROM THE MAIN MENU

LOC MASTER Encumbrances and expenditures by program component are provided. Enter a locality FIPS code for local statistics or 990 for

statewide statistics.

**RETURNED** Lists returned or undeliverable client checks. Action must be taken within 5 days to reissue or cancel. Check menu selection **CHECKS** 

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# FROM THE REPORTS MENU

**APPROVED** A list of all vendors for a locality and the type of service provided by the vendor. VENDORS

Provides an alpha listing of approved cases updated daily for which no payment has been made. Worker #, case name, case #, UNPAID cooling type and amount unpaid are displayed. Report can be sorted by either worker, agency or vendor number. **COOLING** 

Provides an alpha listing by worker or agency updated daily of all pending cooling applications. COOLING Worker # case name, case #, application date, cooling type and # of days pending is displayed. PENDING

Statewide and local case count and expenditure statistics for the previous season used for reporting to General Assembly. COOLING The number of cases needing assistance from other programs and select denial reasons are shown to provide an idea of **EFFECTIVENESS** REPORT unmet needs

# TYPES OF COOLING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Pay Electric Bill to operate Cooling Equipment (G) Electric Security Deposit (D)

Repair Central Air Conditioning Unit or Heat Pump (C)

Repair ceiling, attic or whole house fan (F)

ONE portable fan (A)

ONE Air Conditioner (installed or picked up) (B or H)

**ONE** ceiling, attic or whole house fan installed (E)

# WHAT COOLING EQUIPMENT CAN AN APPLICANT RECEIVE?

# **IF AN APPLICANT HAS:**

**No Operable Cooling Equipment** 

**Operable Cooling Equipment** 



May be Eligible for... May

Portable Fan

**Installed Fan** 

OR

**Air Conditioner** 

Operable Fan or Operable Air Conditioner

May be Eligible for

**Air Conditioner** 

NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ANY COOLING EQUIPMENT

#### **VENDOR LIST - ACCESSING AND READING**

Note: Dual localities should **highlight the locality FIPS** code at the top of the page to avoid confusion.

Click Energy Assistance Inquiry on the TUMS menu.

Tab down to Reports Menu and press enter

Tab down to Approved Vendors and press enter.

Press the *F7* key to print your list

The following fields are displayed across the page:

**Vendor** # A six digit number beginning with 993 or 100 has been assigned to each vendor.

Services & Fuel Services provided by the vendor are identified by an alpha code for the Cooling Component to the left of the field.

A = Store pick up of portable fan E = Ceiling, Attic or whole house fan installation

B = Air Conditioner purchase/installation F = Repair installed fan

C = Repair Central A/C or heat pump G = Electricity Payment

D = Electric Security Deposit H = Store pick up of Air Conditioner

**Vendor Name** Company name, city of location and the telephone number are shown.

\*\*\*\*\*Heating Data fields will require Fuel Assistance Fuel Type Codes and Fuel Assistance Vendor Number\*\*\*\*

#### INPUT DOCUMENTS

It is not necessary to use an Input document to record data to be entered in the system. If an Input document is used a clean document with no preprinted information is preferable for the initial entry of data. There are three types of input documents.

A blank document can be found <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi</a>.

"B" document = a computer generated document containing preprinted information taken from the Food Stamp database or from the Energy Assistance database based on matchable demographic data. Caution must be exercised when using a "B" document to activate this year's Cooling applications. It could cause incorrect data to be used if not corrected and updated with current information for Cooling Assistance. These documents are issued prior to the fuel assistance component opening.

**Turnaround Document (TD)** = a computer generated document containing information from a previous component. Caution must be exercised when using a TD to activate this year's Cooling applications. It could cause incorrect data to be used if not corrected and updated with current information for Cooling Assistance.

A turnaround document (TD) is optionally printed in the agency as a result of pending an application or when a change is entered in the system. The TD is printed when PID # is entered on the menu prior to entering/updating data. If a TD is not desired 999 must be entered in lieu of PID #.

#### **NEW FOR THE 2005 COOLING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:**

The case input document now has part 2B Heating Data (for cooling). These are not mandatory field. However entering the correct data may allow customers to be pre-approved for Fuel Assistance.

# Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Social Services **ENERGY ASSISTANCE-CASE INPUT DOCUMENT**

Pres Loc:	Case #:		v	/kr. #:	_	
====PART	T I - CLIENT D	)ATA=====				
Last:			First:		Middle:	
Address Ln#1:				n#2:		
City:		State:	Zip:	-	Ph: ( )	-
SSN:		State: Ra	ice:Ethnic:_	Spouse SSN:		
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**ERRORS, CORECTIONS & MESSAGES** 

Error messages result from incorrectly keyed information. Messages consist of a 3 digit numeric code and some have an alpha character, ex. 502A.

The alpha character helps Information Systems identify the area in which the error has occurred in the system. To resolve an error read the message

carefully and correctly re-key the element in which the error has occurred. If changing the information keyed in the element in question does not

resolve your problem, print a copy of the screen showing the error message(s) and report the error to the MAGIC Helpdesk or your Program Contact.

Error correction is accomplished by submission of a Magic Helpdesk Ticket or the Action Request Form. The Action Request Form is a generic form

to request several different actions to be taken by your Energy Assistance Contact. Complete the appropriate section completely and forward this form

by fax (804) 726-7358 or pouch to your Energy Contact.

See the Action Request Form on the following page to identify the types of actions for which it can be used.

NOTE: This form has been modified as of 6/05.

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Commonwealth of Virginia,	
Department of Social Services	
Energy Assistance Program ACTION REQUE	ST FORM
FROM: Locality/FIPS LDSS Worker Supervisor Name Telephone N	LDSS Worker's Email Telephone Number fumber Date Prepared and Sent
The change indicated below is needed in the   Fuel,   Crisis,   Coc	oling component of the following case:
Case Name	Case #
I. DIREC	T PAY NEEDED
Indicate Change Reason:  (A) Renter with heat/cooling included (B) No vendor contract for fuel type (C) Fuel storage tank under 100 gallons (D) Primary fuel type coal or wood	(E) Unique vendor, no contract exists (F) Central Office decision or appeal (Contact will advise) (G) Island pump purchases of oil/kerosene
Change fuel type from to To to this an agency error?	Change equipment type from to
Explain why change needed.	
II. REMOVE WARRAN	TY OR SECURITY DEPOSIT
WARRANTY - Date currently in system?	SECURITY DEPOSIT - Original Date
Vendor # Which type? (Select one) (1) \[ \subseteq \text{Electric} (2)	
REASON:	
Include copy of original equ	ipment warranty whenever possible
Hama Office Hay Only	
Home Office Use Only: EAP Consultant's Signature:  Data Entry Date:	Disposition:

032-03-639/2 (05/05)

### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

<b>PROBLEM</b>	<u>ACTION</u>	<b>PROBLEM</b>	<u>ACTION</u>
n	IDECT DAVMENTS	SY	<u>STEM</u>
Check not received	Check payment history screen to confirm it was issued. Follow procedures in Chapter E 5.	Deposit code incorrect	Complete Action Request and send to EAP Contact.
Name on check incorrec	t Follow the cancelled check procedure in Chapter E 6. Change name in system. Request re-issuance through your	Case number incorrect	See Chapter E, App. A
	Program Contact.	COOL code incorrect	Cannot correct. Must retrieve CA, close case and reopen with the correct code.
		Social Security number incorrect	Make the necessary changes in the system.
		VEND	<u>OR</u>
INC	CORRECT PAYMENT	Vendor number incorrect	Retrieve the incorrect CA from the vendor once it is received and make change in the system.
Living arrangement Incorrect	Agency error. Repay overpayment to State. Pay underpayments to customer or vendor (Chapter E 4)	Unpaid utility benefit	Have customer confirm acct. # with vendor.
Living arrangement Incorrect	Customer error. Collect overpayment from the customer. Underpayments are not corrected (Chapter E 4)	Utility account number incorrect	Contact the vendor with the correct account number or name. Change account # in the system.
Unpaid deposit options	Refer vendor representative to their supervisor for billing instructions on security deposit option.	Change to Direct pay	Complete Action Request form and fax to your EAP Contact or prepare a ticket to the MAGIC Helpdesk in order to notify your
Wrong Cooling Type	Complete the Correction Of Payment Error (COPE) form. Send copy of check/warrant with COPE. LDSS must pay correct vendor from local monies.	No CA received by vendor	EAP Contact.  Check Credit Auth. Inquiry for date generated; if more than a week ago call (804) 726-7373 for reissue.

#### **DISPOSITION CODES**

#### **COMPUTER GENERATED**

#### LOCALLY ENTERED

P1 = Pending

#### **Codes resulting from "ED" (eligibility determination)**

A1 = Approved

R1 = Reopen in new locality

R4 = Reopen in same locality

#### **Denials**

D1 = Income exceeds maximum income level

D2 = Not a resident

D3 = Ineligible living arrangement

D5 = Ineligible alien status

D6 = No vulnerable person in household

D7 = Warranty in effect

D8 = Security deposit previously received

D9 = Out of funds

#### **Closures**

C0 = Payment issued or security deposit waived

C1 = Income exceeds maximum level

C2 = Not a resident

C3 = Ineligible living arrangement

C5 = Ineligible alien status

C6 = No vulnerable person in household

C7 = Warranty in effect

C8 = Security deposit previously received

C9 = Out of funds

#### **Denials**

DI = Failed to provide income verification

DJ = Member of another household

DK = Assistance available once per program year.

DN = Other resources have met need

DO = Requested assistance not offered

DP = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

DQ =-Not responsible for cooling bills or equipment

DR = Applicant's request

DS = Assistance offered would not ensure cooling

DT = Application received after deadline

DU = Death of only eligible household member

DV = Not a resident of this locality

DY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

#### Closures

CI = Failed to provide income verification

CJ = Member of another household

CK = Assistance available once/program year

CN = Other resources have met need

CO = Requested assistance not offered

CP = Moved or unable to locate

CQ = Not responsible for cooling bills or equipment

CR = Applicant's request

CS =-Assistance offered would not ensure cooling

CT = Application received after deadline

CU = Death of only eligible household member

CV = Not a resident of this locality

CX = Changing Cooling type of assistance

CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

### **CHANGING DISPOSITION CODES**

P1 = System generated on initial entry; can be changed to ED for resulting A1 or R4 code. Also, can be changed to DI – DY for local denial.
ED= Eligibility Determination; results in an A1, C0 - C9, D1 - D9, or R4 disposition code
A1= Approved; (can be paid which will result in a C0 code) the code can be changed to disposition codes ranging from CI to CY to deny or close the case
D = Denied; any denial code can be changed to ED or P1 or to a local denial code of DI – DY.
C = Closed; any closure codes can be changed to ED for resulting R1 or R4 or to CI – CY.
R1= Reopen in new locality; (can be paid which will result in a C0 code) the code can be changed to disposition codes ranging from CI to CY to deny or close the case.
R4= Reopen in same locality; (can be paid which will result in a C0 code) the code can be changed to disposition codes ranging from CI to CY to deny or close the case.
NOTE: A CASE IN "C" STATUS CAN ONLY BE CHANGED TO ANOTHER "C" CODE.

#### LOCAL DISPOSITION CODES AND CLIENT NOTICE MESSAGES

#### DI or CI = Failed to provide income verification

Your application for cooling assistance was denied for failure to provide income verification of all persons in the home.

#### DJ or CJ = Member of another household

Your application for cooling assistance was denied. You are considered a member of another eligible household.

#### DK or CK = Assistance available once per program year.

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. The type of assistance you requested is available only once per program year. Your household has already received assistance this program year.

#### DN or CN = Other resources have met need

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. You have received help with your situation from other sources and are no longer in need of assistance from this Program.

#### DO or CO = Assistance requested not offered

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. The Energy Assistance Program does not offer the assistance you requested.

#### DP or CP = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. You have either moved from this locality or into someone else's home, or we have been unable to contact you.

#### DQ or CQ = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. You have not provided proof that you are responsible for cooling your home.

#### DR or CR = Applicant's request

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. You or a household member requested withdrawal of the application. If this information is incorrect, please contact the agency immediately.

#### DS or CS = Assistance would not ensure cooling

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. The maximum funds available for the type of assistance you requested would not ensure cooling for your home. The Program is unable to assist you at this time.

#### DT or CT = Application received after program deadline

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied. This is a seasonal Program and the application period has ended. Your application was received after the Program application period ended.

#### LOCAL DISPOSITION CODE CLIENT NOTICE MESSAGES CONT'D

#### DU or CU = Death of only eligible HH member

The application for cooling assistance has been denied. A program eligible household member no longer resides in the home. Contact us if this information is incorrect.

#### DV or CV = Not a resident of this locality

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied because you do not live in this locality. Please apply in the locality where you reside prior to the application deadline.

#### DY or CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

Your application for cooling assistance has been denied for failure to provide requested verifications. Please contact the local agency and provide the requested verification for possible re-evaluation of your situation.

Denial code and closure code second character is identical. Be sure to pick the code that best reflects the appropriate message for the case situation. Also determine appropriate use of closure or denial code from the changing disposition code section of this guide.

CX = Use only when credit authorization returned and requested assistance not provided, when changing the vendor number or changing the type of assistance. Notice will not be sent to customer. If Credit Authorization has been issued/generated, be sure to retrieve the first Credit authorization before issuing/generating the second Credit Authorization.

#### COOLING ASSISTANCE TRANSACTIONS

The following pages provide guidance on processing applications for Cooling Assistance.

\*\*\*Please note that you will now be asked to provide Heating Data for the purpose of increasing Fuel Assistance pre-approvals for the upcoming heating season.

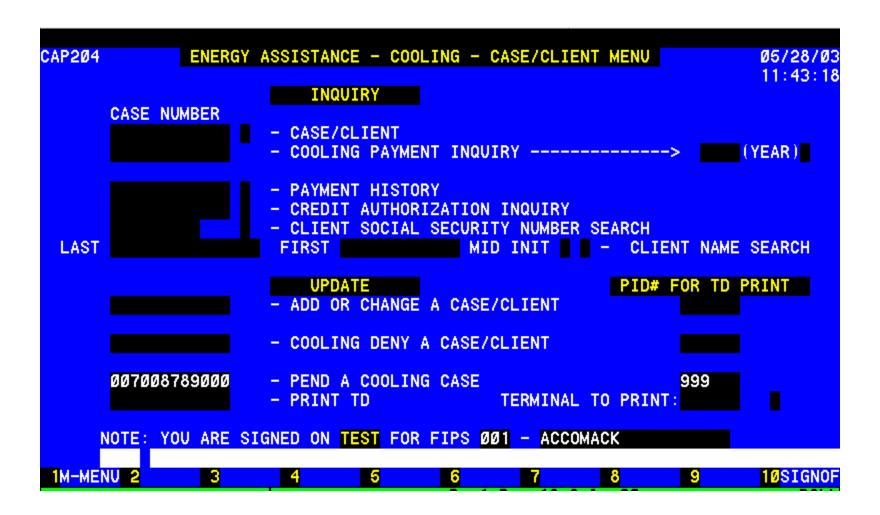
Completion of an Input Document is not necessary. Data can be keyed directly from the application form.

Instruction on the necessary data to be entered on a screen to accomplish a transaction on a Cooling Assistance application or to make changes to an active case is also provided.

Use function key F6 to access the Cooling screen.

Only use function key F1 or F8 when you have completed a transaction.

Function key F10 voids the transaction and allows you to start the transaction over.



#### PENDING A CASE

From the initial entry screen select the Client/Case Menu and enter. You will see this screen at that point.

Using the <u>Update</u> section enter the case number of a new or existing case/application under <u>PENDING</u> and enter the PID number to print a Turnaround document.

If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill.

TRANSMIT to complete required information for pending the application.

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CLIENT LAST: Jones		FIRST	: John		MIDDLE:		
SERVICE ADDR: 1235 CITY: Richmond	Floyd Ave	710-	CODE: 22	AIL ADDR:	1235 Flo	yd Ave	212
SSN : 158874487 SE	X: m RACE	: 1 ET	HNIC:		JSE SSN:	004/000-1	212
== PART 2 = HOUSEHO	LD DATA ==	=====	==== <del>=</del> =:			========	
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P/A: y ME == PART 4 = COOLING				: 			
COOLING APPLICATION	DATE: 05/	04 <mark>/</mark> 2005			TE: 05/04/	05 DISP 0	CODE: P1
			NEXI	CASE:			
1M-MENU 2C-MENU 3	4	5	6	7	8NEXT	9	10RSTART

#### PENDING NEW COOLING APPLICATIONS - Not known to the system

Complete the following:

Worker ID

#### **PART 1 - CLIENT DATA**

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

Service Address or delivery address: **DO NOT PUNCTUATE.** 

Enter house number, street name and Apt #

Mailing address: Re-enter the service address if the same, otherwis enter P O Box,

General Delivery, RFD, etc).

Day Phone #.

Social Security # of applicant

LDSS Worker can now remove or change SSN at anytime.

Male or Female or Unknown

Race: Enter one: 1 = White, 2 = Black,

3 = Am. Indian/Alaskan Native, 4 = Asian,

5 = Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

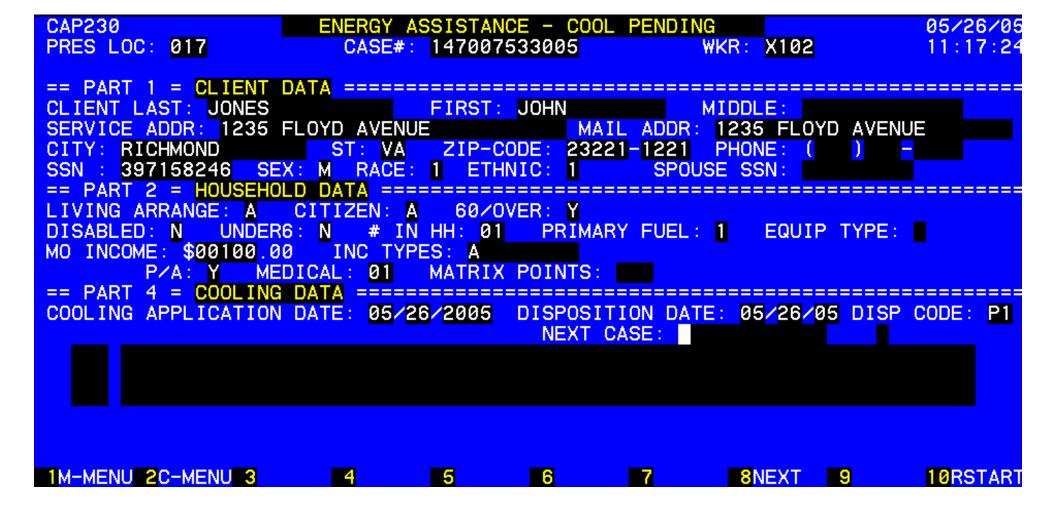
Ethnicity: Enter 1 or Y for Hispanic/Latino or 2 or N for not

Hispanic/Latino

Spouse Social Security #, if known

PART 4 – COOLING DATA

Cooling application date.

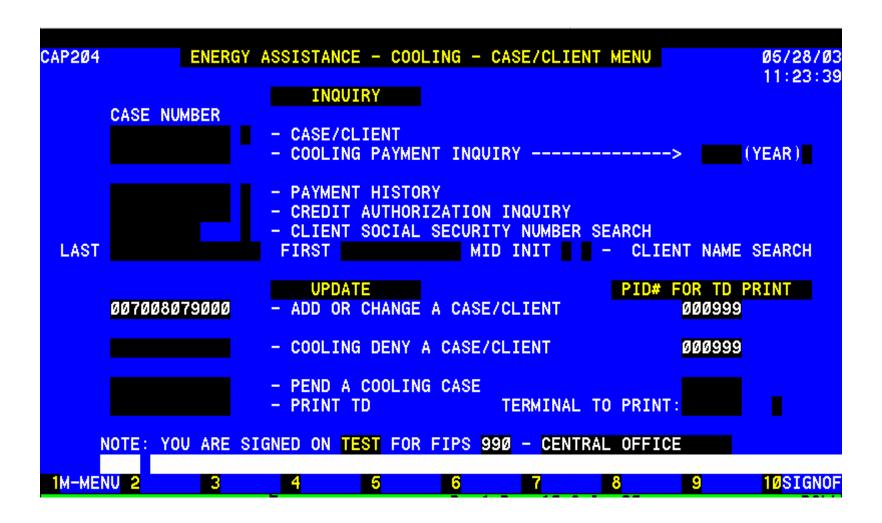


#### PENDING A CASE KNOWN TO THE SYSTEM

Complete: 1) worker number,

- 2) the information under Household Data and
- 3) the Cooling Application date under Cooling Data

The information previously entered in the system will populate the screen. This information may need to be changed prior to determining eligibility.

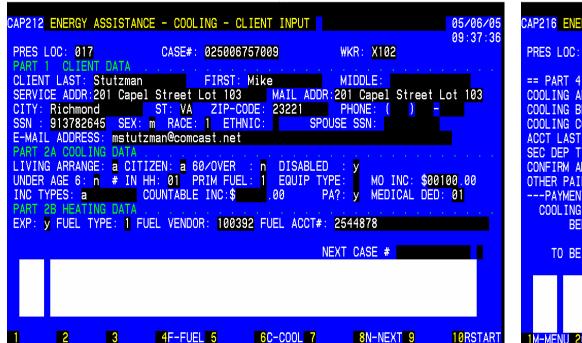


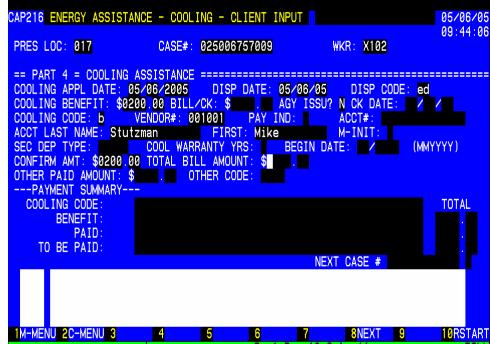
#### **UPDATING THE SYSTEM**

An application can be pended, approved or denied at initial entry.

Enter the case number of a pended, new or existing case/application under UPDATE and enter the PID to print a Turnaround document.

If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill. TRANSMIT.





#### **DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY**

Client Data was entered when case was pended. PARTS 2a and 2b - HOUSEHOLD DATA for cooling and heating to be entered:

**Living Arrange**: Enter appropriate code from application:

A = Homeowner, pays cooling bills	I = Roomer
B = Homeowner/renter no cooling bills	L = Lives in an ineligible facility or institution
C = Renter pays cooling bills	P = Lives rent free in more than one room
E = Renter, cooling included in rent	pays cooling bills
F = Renter pays excess usage charges	Q = Temporarily lives in an emergency
G = Subsidized renter pays some cooling bills	shelter

**Citizen**: Enter one of the following:

H = VA Benefits

A = HH members US citizens B = HH contains eligible aliens

C = HH has one or more ineligible aliens D = HH of all ineligible aliens

**60/over**: Enter Y or N, **Disabled**: Enter Y or N, **Under Age 6**: Enter Y or N # **in HH** – enter 2 digit numbers, 01, 02, etc.

**MO INC**: enter gross amount using leading zeros.

Enter ALL appropriate codes. NOTE: Codes K and M are only used with F.

U = Rental Income

A = TANF B = SSA C = SSI D = Unemployment E = Earned F = Food Stamps G = GR M = None N = Worker's Comp. O = Other earned income P = Ins. Benefits, multiple pmt. Q = Contributions/ Support/Alimony S = Installment Contract T = Monetary Gift

I = VA Aid & Attendance
J = Comm. Based Care (CBC)
K = All SSI recipients
L = Lottery

V = Educational Benefits
W = Other Retirement/Disability
X = Other Unearned Income
Y = Other PA Benefits
Z

**PA?** Enter  $\underline{Y}$  or  $\underline{N}$  for a TANF, Food Stamps, Medicaid, GR or SSI Case.

Medical Ded: (00 - 10); count once each aged or disabled in household.

Heating information expense, fuel type, vendor and account number

#### Hit Function Key 6 to go to PART 4 – COOLING

**Disp.** Code: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

**Cooling Benefit**: Enter max benefit amount for type of assistance requested.

**Cooling Code:** Enter the appropriate code:

A = Portable Fan

B = Install Air Conditioner
C = Repair Air Conditioner
(central air/ heat pump)

D = Electric Security Deposit
E = Install ceiling/attic/whole house fan
F = Repair ceiling/attic/whole house fan.
G = Electricity payment
H = Pick up Air Conditioner

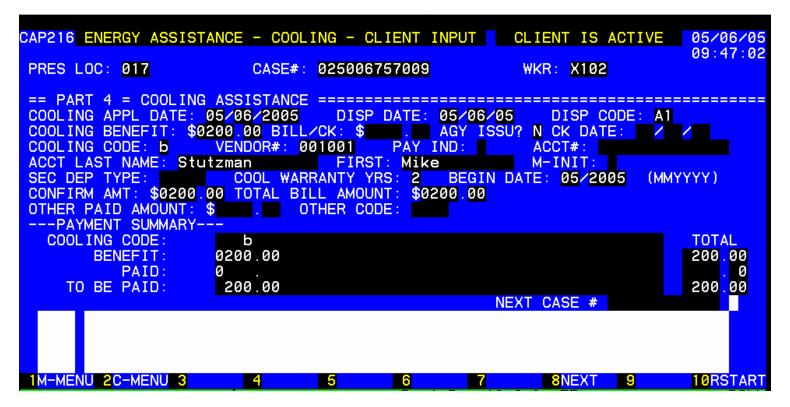
**Vendor:** Select from the Cooling vendor list for locality.

Acct #: Required for codes D and G, security deposit and electricity bills.

Acct Last Name, First & M. Init: Required for D, & G.

**Sec Dep Type**: Enter code 1 in position 2 for a security deposit.

Transmit using F1 or F8.



**PAYING THE BILL** 

Disposition is A1. Case was approved and credit authorization was issued. Vendor has returned CA with itemized bill amount indicated or attached.

Complete the following to pay bill:

**Bill/Ck**: with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g.0200 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL. This entry will not display.

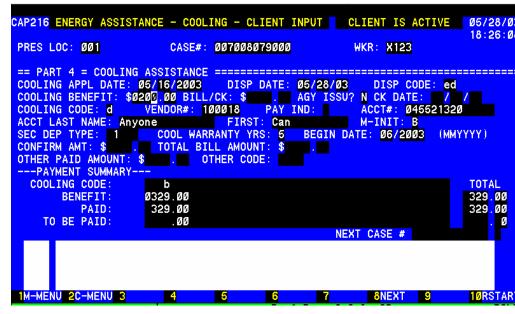
Cool Warranty Yrs: enter number of years for any equipment warranty (1-9 or 0 for ten or more). Begin Date: enter 2 digit month and 4 digit year for warranty. Confirm Amount & Total Bill Amount: Repeat bill/check amount entry.

TRANSMIT using F8 or F1.

#### ANOTHER TYPE OF ASSISTANCE



Bill for \$329.00 has been paid and case closed by the system. *Note the C0 disposition Code.* 



To provide another type of assistance complete the following: **Disp. Code**: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

**Cooling Benefit**: Enter exact amount for type of assistance requested if known.

Bill/Ck: enter exact amount of security deposit for SDOP vendor\*

**Cooling Code:** Enter the appropriate code:

A = Portable Fan D = Electric Security Deposit

B = Install Air Conditioner E = Install ceiling/attic/whole house fan F = Repair ceiling/attic/whole house fan.

(central air/ heat pump) G = Electricity payment H = Pick up Air Conditioner

**Vendor:** Select from the Cooling vendor list for locality.

**Acct** #: Required for codes D and G, security deposit and electricity bills.

Acct Last Name, First & M. Init: Required for D security deposit & G electric bill.

**Sec Dep Type**: Put code 1 in position 2 when assistance is for a security deposit.

\*Bill check amount is not completed for Security Deposit Option Vendors



The case was "EDed" for another type of assistance and is now in R4 status.

Additional information is needed to generate another credit authorization to another vendor.

The following must be completed upon receipt of the bill:

**Bill/Ck**: with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g.0200 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL. This entry will not display.

Confirm Amount: Repeat bill/check amount entry

**Total Bill Amount:** Enter total bill amount including money paid by other resources

**Other Paid Amount:** Enter the amount paid through other resources for this emergency.

**Other Code:** Enter the appropriate codes to indicate all the resources:

A = Paid by Household Member

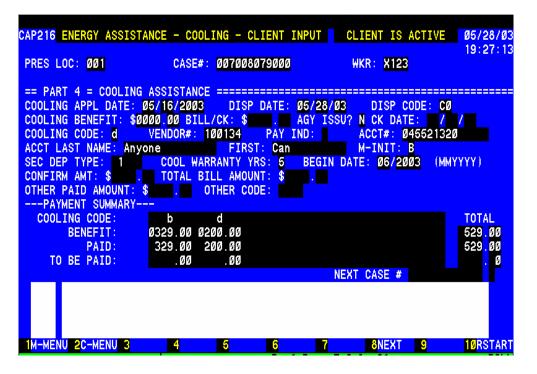
B = Paid by Private Community Resource

C = Paid by Public/Governmental Resource

D = Paid by non-household member (individual)

NOTE: Other resources are entered with the first of multiple payments. Enter amount of other resource one time only regardless of the number of cooling payments it will take to resolve the problem.

#### TRANSMIT using F8 or F1

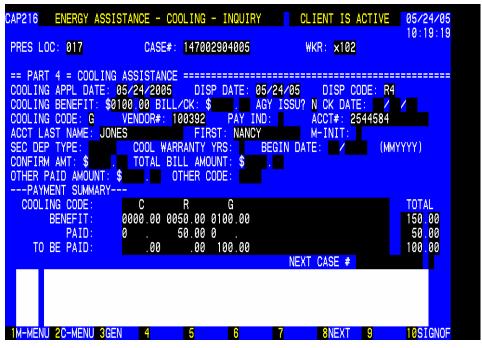


#### SECURITY DEPOSIT OPTION PAYMENTS

This case has been paid and closed by the system.

If the vendor selected had been a Security Deposit Option Vendor no bill check amount would be necessary and the case would automatically close with disposition code C0 – Deposit waived or payment made.

The exact amount of the deposit must be entered in the benefit amount field.



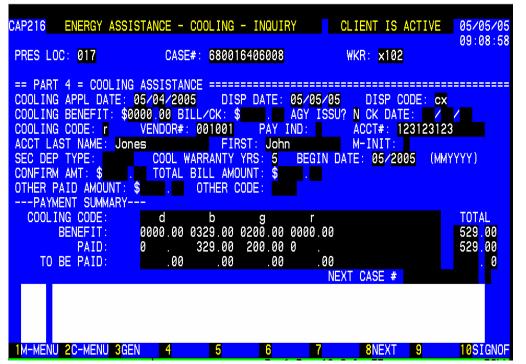
#### **CREDIT AUTHORIZATION RETURNED - CHANGES**

Credit authorization returned and requested assistance not provided. Re-access this case. Press the F6 key to go to the cooling screen. Enter CX to close the case. Enter the case number again at the bottom and F8. The case will be closed and you will see the general screen for the case again. Press the F6 key for the cooling screen. Complete the appropriate following transaction:

**To pay trip charge**, enter exact amount of bill not to exceed \$50.00. Change cooling code "C" or "F" to code "R". Encumber and pay "R" at the same time. No Credit Authorization is issued for "R", or...

**To Change Type of Assistance and/or Vendor** –Enter "ED" to determine eligibility on the case. Enter the maximum benefit amount for new type of assistance (change cooling code from "C" to "H" or "B" or "F" to "E", "B", or "H" and/or enter the new vendor number.

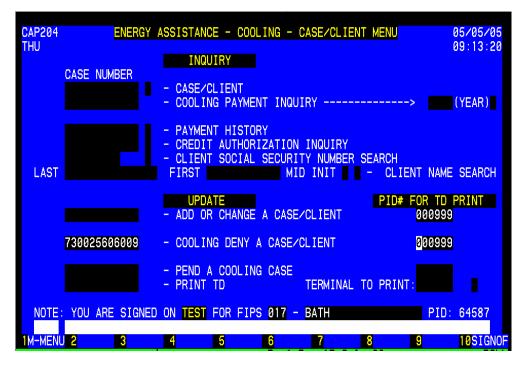
Transmit using F1 or F8 for new credit authorization issuance.





Case closed ready for same day change. No notice is generated to the customer.

Results of paying trip charge in accordance with previous instructions, Credit Authorization Returned – Changes



#### SHORT DENIAL ENTRY

Used for new cases, cases not activated or cases in "P" or "D"
Status

SELECT "COOLING DENY A CASE/CLIENT" FROM THE

CASE/CLIENT MENU Complete the following:

Worker ID

PART 1 - CLIENT INFO

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

Service Address:

**DO NOT PUNCTUATE. Enter house number, street** 

name and Apt #

Mailing address: Re-enter address Or P O Box, General Delivery, RFD, etc)

Phone Number

MO Income: using leading zeros enter dollar amount

Enter the income codes

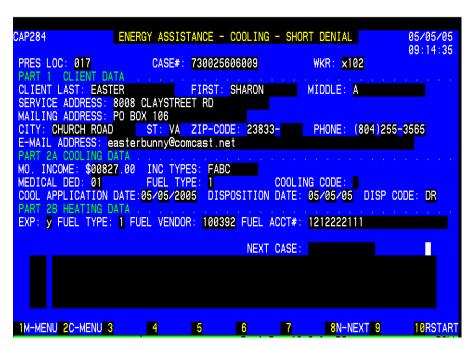
This is a new required field.

Medical Ded: enter the number of people disabled or age 60 and over

Cooling application date

Disposition Code: reason for denial

F8 to complete the short denial



Make sure you complete the Heating Information if it is known.

#### **DENIAL CODES**

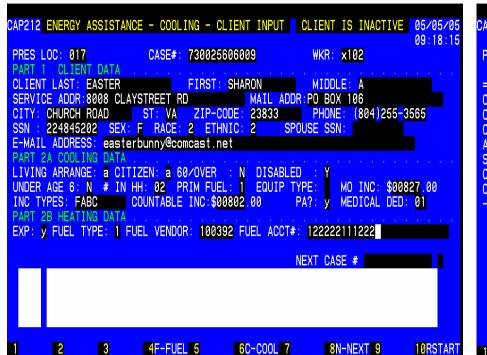
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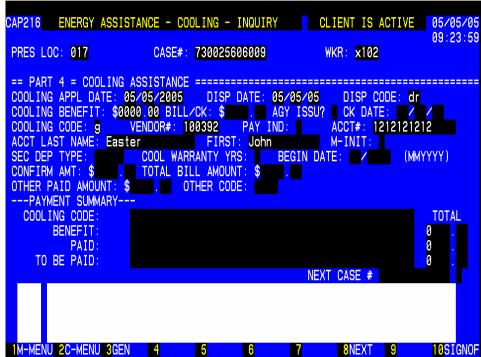
DP = Moved or Unable to locate

applicant

DY = Failed to provide nonfinancial verification

locality





# DENY CASE USING ADD OR CHANGE CASE/CLIENT FUNCTION

Update as appropriate being sure to fill in the heating information if known.

#### Enter local denial code

Enter the appropriate Cooling code:

A = Portable Fan

**B** = Purchase and Install Air Conditioner

**C** = Repair Air Conditioner (central air or heat pump units only)

**D** = Electric Security Deposit

**E** = Purchase and Install ceiling/attic/whole house fan

**F** = Repair ceiling/attic/whole house fan.

**G** = Electricity payment

 $\mathbf{H} = \text{Pick up Air Conditioner}$ 

## **ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

### CRISIS ASSISTANCE COMPONENT

**QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE** 

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A HOW TO BOOKLET

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### **HELP**

#### **POLICY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research answer in the manual. <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/manual.cgi">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/manual.cgi</a>
- 2. Ask your Supervisor giving him/her any manual reference.
- 3. Try <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/faq.cgi">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/faq.cgi</a>

#### **DATA ENTRY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Research procedure in Crisis Quick Reference Guide.
- 2. Note all error message numbers and follow instructions for each.

#### **NEW INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

1. Check FAQ, Helpful Hints, Broadcast system or e-mail.



#### 2. IF Unresolved...

The agency contact person can email <u>dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</u> or call the Magic Helpdesk @ 1-800-223-8846. Select Option 1 for an operator. Be prepared with your policy or procedural question, case name and number, or system problem. For a system problem indicate which function used, error message and number in the top left corner of the screen

#### **BILLING QUESTIONS**

Local agencies are responsible for resolution of Crisis billing problems. Bills for crisis payments are keyed locally. Agencies must ensure that an **itemized bill** is attached to the credit authorization and charges are appropriate prior to paying the bill.

If you have billing related questions or problems contact the Helpdesk at 1-800-223-8846 or Kristen Miles at 804-726-7373.

#### **VENDOR AGREEMENT QUESTIONS**

Email dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us or call the Magic Helpdesk at 1-800-223-8846. Select Option 1 for an operator. Questions regarding terms of the vendor agreement or any request to change service area should go through MAGIC. New vendors wanting to sign an agreement should also be referred to the Helpdesk. They can use email or call. Response will be provided within 3 working days.

#### **PROGRAM CONTACTS**

A contact person is assigned to each locality. However, whomever is available will respond to the questions submitted through the Helpdesk. Allow at least 3 working days for response to your question.

# **ACRONYMS**

ADAPT	Application Benefit Delivery Automation Project	IEVS	Income Eligibility Verification System
AG	Auxiliary Grant	LDSS	Local Department of Social Services
BD	Benefit Determination	LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
BP	Benefit Programs	LP	Liquid Propane (bottled gas)
CA	Credit Authorization	LWA	Local Welfare Agency
CAP	Community Action Program	LWAP	Local Weatherization Agency Project
CID	Case Input Document	MAX	Maximum
CRISIS	Crisis Assistance Component	PA	Public Assistance
DOB	Date of Birth	QRG	Quick Reference Guide
EAP	Energy Assistance Program	SDX	State Data Exchange
ED	Eligibility Determination	SEW	Senior Eligibility Worker
ESP	Employment Services Program	SSA	Social Security Administration
EW	Eligibility Worker	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
FA	Fuel Assistance Component	SVES	State Verification Exchange System
FC	Foster Care	TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
FIPS	Agency locality code	TD	Turnaround Document
FS	Food Stamps	VACIS	Virginia Client Information System
GR	General Relief	VDSS	Virginia Department of Social Services
НН	Household	VIEW	Virginia Initiative for Employment Not Welfare
НО	Home Office	WAP	Weatherization Assistance Program

Commonwealth of Virginia - Department of	Social Services		AGENCY	USE ONLY:				
Locality/FIPS C	ase #	ADAPT	#		Date Application Rec	eived	Worker #	
PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS Part I	COMPLETELY		ASSISTANC		In what city of	or county do you liv	ted from November 1 we?	
Name					SEX:M	F Are you Hisp	panic or Latino?	YESNO
Race (Circle One) Last 1. White	2. Black or African A	First American 3. American	can Indian or Ala	Middle Initial askan Native	<b>4.</b> Asian	5. Native Hawaiian	or other Pacific Islan	der <b>0.</b> Other
Service Address			City/State	<u> </u>		Zip	Day Phone:	
Mailing Address			City/State			Zip	Home Phone:	
Directions to home							_Email Address	
PART II 1. What is your crisis need? (Che	eck all that apply)	A. Heating equi	pment repair	<b>B.</b> Pur	chase of Heating	Equipment	<b>D.</b> Payment of securi	ity deposit
<b>D.</b> Deposit for LP Gas Tank	F. Purchase	of portable space heater	r <b>G.</b> En	nergency She	elterT. S	Supplemental Equipn	ment or Equipment M	aintenance
Effective January 1, Crisis emerger	ncy fuel is available:	W. Fuel Low (Ho	w much fuel do y	you have left	in your tank?	)	X. Payment of prima	ry heat utility bill
<ul> <li>2. Circle the letter that best descr</li> <li>A. I own or am buying my home an</li> <li>B. I own or rent my home and do not</li> <li>C. I pay rent and also pay for heat</li> <li>E. I pay rent &amp; my heat is included</li> <li>F. I live in subsidized housing Section and occasionally pay excess usa</li> </ul>	d pay all heating bill by pay a heating bill. separately. In the rent payment ion 8, HUD, Public H.	s. G. I li I. I liv L. I liv P. I liv	ve in Section 8 has in one room in we in an institution of rent-free in more	ousing, HUI n someone el on, group hor ore than one	O, subsidized hous se's house. ne, treatment cent room, house or ap	sing, & regularly pa er or home for adult partment and pay for		
<b>3.</b> Are all people in your household	United States citizens	?YESNO	If no, w	/ho?				
4. Is anyone in your household disa	bled?YES	NO If yes, w	ho?					
5. How many people live in your h	ousehold? [# ]	List you	rself first and e	very person	living in the hom	ie. Cor	mplete information f	for each person.
NAME	RELATION TO PERSON ON LINE #1	SOCIAL SECURITY#	DATE OF BIRTH	WORKING Y N		INCOME PAID weekly, biweekly, semi-monthly monthly	Employer for Self-employed, Self-emp	RCES OF INCOME earned income, locial Security, SSI, hild Support, etc.
	Self							
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6. Circle ALL types of household income: A. TANF B.		Employment or Self-employed G. General Relief
		specify
7. Do you receive a check from the Division of Child Support Enfor	recement?YESNO How much? Who page	ys the child support?
<b>8.</b> Did you or any household member receive Fuel, Crisis or Coolin	g Assistance in the past 12 months?YESNO If yes,	case name
9. Does any household member receive Food Stamps?	ESNO If yes, case name	
<b>10.</b> Does anyone pay for Medicare, Part B insurance?	ESNO If yes, who?	How much? \$
11. Does any household member receive Medicaid?	ESNO If yes, case name	
12. Is Medicaid Home & Community-Based Care received?Y	ESNO If yes, by whom?	Patient pay amount is \$
13. Circle equipment used most frequently to heat your home. CI	RCLE ONLY ONE.	
A. Furnace B. Radiator C. Portable Heate	D. Vented Space Heater (heater with outside exhaust	t) E. Baseboard F. Heat Pump
G. Fireplace H. Coal or Wood Stove	J. Cookstove K. None L. Unknown	
14. Who owns or is responsible for purchase or repairs of your heat	ing equipment?	
<b>15.</b> Describe any current problem with your heating equipment		
16. If your stove or furnace is not working, do you have another hea	at source?YESNO If yes, what?Fireplace _	Wood StovePortable Space HeaterOther
17. Circle the fuel used most frequently to heat your home. CIRCL	E ONLY ONE.	
1. Electricity 2. Natural Gas 3. Oil (#2) 4. Clear	Kerosene <b>5.</b> Coal <b>6.</b> Wood <b>7.</b> Liquid Propane (LP	)/Bottled Gas 0. Red Kerosene
What size is your fuel tank? gallons  18. Name and address of the company used for home heating.  Verification from the utility company is needed if you heat with a paid if you owe a balance that will lead to disconnection of your ser		tric or gas bill. A Crisis Assistance benefit can only be
In whose name is the bill? Ac	count Number Who is responsible for payir	ng the bill?
19. Do you have a family member or friend who can provide you wi	th temporary shelter? YES NO APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION  Set to the host of my knowledge. Livill notify the Department of	
I certify that the above statements and attachments are true and correction occur in my situation. I understand that I or any member of my houservices has granted permission to sell. Any benefits received must race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability. If I give eligible, I may be breaking the law and could be prosecuted for perjuapplicant to obtain assistance for which he/she is not eligible, I may on this application or that I may be contacted for the purposes of rest Department of Social Services to obtain any verification needed to efform which I have or may request assistance.  Applicant Signature or Mark and Witness	sehold cannot sell merchandise purchased on my behalf through be used for the purpose approved. I may file a complaint if I for false information, withhold information, fail to report changes ary, larceny and/or fraud. If I completed, or assisted in complete be breaking the law and could be prosecuted. I understand the earch, evaluation and analysis to the extent allowed by state and stablish my household's eligibility for assistance or to give infor-	h the program unless the local department of social eel I have been discriminated against because of my promptly, or obtained assistance for which I am not ting this application form and aided and abetted the Department of Social Services may use information d federal law. My signature authorizes the
Completed on behalf of applicant by:	Page 2 of 2	Date

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CASE NAME		E WORKSHEET/EVALU CASE		pplication Date:	
1. Application signed? 2. Does HH live within locality? 3. Are all household members U.S. citizens? 4. Homeowner? 5. Renter? 6. Roomer? 7. Verified disabled household member? 8. Household member age 60 or over?	PART I - NO         YES       NO	9. Is this a PA case? 10. Is HH responsible fo 11. Is there a heating exp 12. Are there children up 13. What is the total # of If yes, how many?	YES or heating equipment? pense? nder age 6? of eligible people in H		NON/A NON/A NO DR MEDICAL DEDUCTION?
		INANCIAL ELIGIBII			
Countable Unearned Income	INCOME CALCULA' \$		VERIFICA Gross Amount	TIONS OF INCOM.  Date & Metho	E od of Verification
Profit from self-employment	+				
Countable Earned	+				
Minus:					
Medicare Part B Premium				_	
Medicaid (CBC) Patient Pay					
DO NOT SUBTRACT \$25 MEDICAL DEDUCT	<b>ION</b>				
COUNTABLE GROSS INCOME	\$	INCOME ELIGIBLE?	YES	NO	
	PART III	- ASSISTANCE REQUES'	TED/NEEDED		
1. Heating Equipment Repair (A): Equipment	Type: A. Furnace	<b>B.</b> Radiator	C. Portable Heater	<b>D.</b> Vented Space	e Heater (heater with outside exhaust)
E. Baseboard F. Heat Pump	•	H. Coal or Wood Stove	<b>J.</b> Cook stove	<b>K.</b> None	L. Unknown
<ul><li>A. Does lease, rental agreement or writte</li><li>B. Is the equipment inoperable or unsafe</li></ul>		repair responsibility?	YESNO YES NO	N/A	
C. Are additional funds needed for repair			YES NO	Amount? \$	If yes, go to Part IV.
A. Does household have operable equipmed. B. Is this a no heat situation?  C. Does lease, rental agreement or written D. Is there a warranty on existing equipmed. E. Was equipment previously purchased.	ment? YES YES en landlord statement verifyment? YES	NO	N/A YESNO N/A Date of pur _YES NO	chase?	#Warranty years?
F. Is the equipment inoperable or unsafe	?	_	YES NO		
G. If portable space heater is needed, are H. Are additional funds needed for purcl 032-03-381/4 (11/03)			YESNO YESNO		ount? \$ If yes, go to Part IV

3. Security Deposit (D):	Electricity (1)	_Natural Gas (2)	LP Tank (7	Cutoff Not	ice?YES	NO	N/A	
	sly received this assistance? usehold member's name?	YES YES	NO NO	C. Required for pri D. Verified HH has E. Does assistance	applied for service?	YES YES YES	NO NO NO	N/A
4. Emergency Shelter (G)				E. Does assistance	chistre service:	1L5	110	
<ul><li>A. Is there any heat</li><li>B. Does expected to</li></ul>	in the home? emperature warrant heat?	YES YES	NO NO		ds available to house ap		YES YES	NO NO
5. Supplemental Equipmen	t (T):Fuel Tank	Tank StandN	MatsChimney	Thermostat _	FlueLines _	Blower	_Other Acces	ssory
B. Is the equipment	al agreement or written landlo inoperable or unsafe? ands needed for purchase?	rd statement verify	repair responsibility	?YES YES	NO	N Amou		_
6. Equipment Maintenance	(T):Inspection	Chir	nney Cleaning	_Duct Cleaning _	Clearing Obstruction	asRepairir	ng Leaks	_Other
B. Is the equipment	al agreement or written landlo inoperable or unsafe? d in EAP system on existing over maintenance?	•	repair responsibility	? YES YES YES YES	NO NO		_N/A _N/A	
7. Primary Heating Fuel (W#2 Oil (3)	V):Clear Kerosene (4)	W	ood (6)LP C	Gas (7)Red K	erosene (0) Tank Size	e? An	nount in Tank	?
	ance received this program ye assistance received this year?				o heat or the potential for have a low supply?		YES _YES	NO NO
8. Primary Utility Heating	(X):Electricity (1)	Natural Ga	as (2) Bill seen	n?YES _	NO Cutoff Notice	e?	YES _	NO
	ance received this program ye assistance received this year?		NO	C. Does HH have nD. Is HH out of fue	o heat or the potential for have a low supply?	or no heat?	YES _YES	NO NO
<ol> <li>Are community resources at 2. Are other resources needed</li> <li>Is co-payment required?</li> <li>Will assistance and/or other</li> </ol>	available? d to pay for full need?	_YES _YES _YES	NO NO NO	Date paid?	name & amount contrib		d? \$	
Eligibility Determinate	tion, "ED" Approved fo			COMMENDATIO		, indicate local	denial code _	
<b>Eligibility Worker Signatur COMMENTS:</b>	re:			Worker #_	Date			

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF WORKSHEET/EVALUATION

Part I		Complete all questions. Deny application if question:	
1 41 t 1			and application is for purchase or repair.
			and application is for fuel or security deposit
		#6 is YES	and the same of th
Part II			erification. Total all countable income and determine if eligible. If ineligible,
		deny application. If eligible, continue to Part III for processing	lg.
Part III		Complete all parts for the types of assistance requested and be	ing evaluated.
	1.	Repair - Select type of primary heating equipment needing re	pair and respond to the following:
		A. If yes or N/A, process case. If no, deny application	
		B. If yes, process case. If no, deny application	
		C. If yes, indicate amount needed and complete Part IV. If I	no, continue processing
	2.	. Purchase or Replace - Select primary heating equipment or p	
		A. If yes, deny application. If no, continue processing.	E. <b>If yes,</b> and 2. D. is yes, deny application. <b>If no</b> , continue
		B. If yes, process case. If no, deny application.	processing.
		C. If yes or N/A, process case. If no, deny application.	F. <b>If yes</b> , continue processing. <b>If no</b> , deny application.
		D. <b>If yes,</b> and 2.E is yes, deny application or request	G. If yes, deny application. If no, continue processing
		warranty removal per policy. Indicate date of prior	H. <b>If yes</b> , indicate amount needed and complete Part IV. <b>If no</b> ,
		purchase and number of warranty years. Refer	continue processing.
		applicant to manufacturer. <b>If no</b> , continue processing.	
	2		1: 1: 4 1 41 41 : 4 CC 4: <b>TC</b> NI/A 4:
	3.	processing. Cut-off must be verified. Respond to the following	and indicate whether there is a cut-off notice. If yes or N/A, continue
		A. <b>If yes</b> , deny application. <b>If no</b> , continue processing.	D. If yes or N/A, process case. If no, deny application.
		B. <b>If yes</b> , process case. <b>If no</b> , deny application.	E. If yes, process case. If no, complete Part IV.
		C. <b>If yes</b> , process case. <b>If no</b> , deny application.	E. If yes, process case. If no, complete factiv.
		c. If yes, process case. If no, deliy application.	
	4.	Emergency Shelter - Respond to the following:	
		A. If yes, deny application. If no, continue processing.	C. <b>If yes,</b> and 2.E is yes, deny application or request
		B. <b>If yes</b> , process case. <b>If no</b> , deny application.	warranty removal per policy. Indicate date of prior purchase
		,, r	and number of warranty years. Refer applicant to
			manufacturer. <b>If no</b> , continue processing.
			D. If ves. deny application. If no. continue processing.

5. **Supplement Equipment** - Select one or more requested types of equipment and respond to the following: A. If ves or N/A, continue processing. If no, deny application. B. If yes or N/A, continue processing. If no, deny application. C. If yes, indicate amount needed and complete Part IV. If no, continue processing 6. **Equipment Maintenance** - Select one or more requested maintenance requirements and respond to the following: A. If ves or N/A, continue processing. If no, deny application C. If ves, deny application. If no or N/A, continue processing. B. If ves, continue processing. If no, deny application. D. If yes, deny application. If no, continue processing. 7. **Primary Heating Fuel** - Select the type of **fuel** indicated on the application. Record tank size for fuel types 3, 4, and 0 if appropriate. Indicate amount of fuel oil in the tank or the bottled gas gauge indicator for fuel type 7 at the time of application. A. If ves, deny application if Fuel Assistance benefits C. If yes, continue processing. If no, deny application. have not been exhausted. If no, continue processing. D. If ves, continue processing. If no, deny application. B. If ves, deny application. If no, continue processing. 8. **Primary Utility Heating** - For natural gas or elect electricity indicate whether the bill has been seen and if it was a cutoff notice. If yes record the account number in the case record. If no, request the account number from the customer. A. If ves, deny application if Fuel Assistance benefits C. If ves, continue processing. If no, deny application. have not been exhausted. If no, continue processing. D. If ves, continue processing. If no, deny application. B. If yes, deny application. If no, continue processing. **Part IV - OTHER RESOURCES** If additional community resources are needed to pay for equipment or to continue or restore service, confirm and

document that payment from other resources has been or will be made. If a combination of Crisis Assistance and additional community resources will not cover payment in full, deny application. Respond to the following:

1. If ves, deny application. If no, continue processing. 3. If yes, verify date and amount paid. If payment is sufficient, 2. If yes, verify and document resource, continue processing. continue processing. If no, continue processing. If no, continue processing 4. If ves, continue processing. If no, deny application

Part V - Eligibility Recommendation - Indicate whether application should be entered into the computer system for eligibility determination or whether the application is ineligible. If eligible, indicate type or types of assistance for which case is being approved, for example, heating equipment repair, emergency shelter, etc. If ineligible, indicate the appropriate denial code. Sign, indicate worker number and date.

Make notes for documentation purpose under COMMENTS section.

#### **FORMS**

Forms can be found at <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/ea/forms.cgi</a>. or in the forms warehouse at http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/dgs/warehouse.cgi.

#### PAPER REPORTS

FAP-08R-1, A bi-weekly alpha report containing case #, Worker I.D., application date, max benefit amount, disposition date and status, amount paid to date, and remaining benefit. Use as a monitoring tool for agency workers and client inquiry.

#### SYSTEM GENERATED REPORTS

Listed below are reports that can be either viewed or printed at the local agency. Reports are updated daily should be checked daily. Instruction on inquiring on these reports can be found in the Crisis System Inquiries module found on the Energy Assistance web training site.

LOC MASTER	Encumbrances and expenditures by program component are provided. Enter a locality FIPS code for local statistics or 990 for statewide statistics.
RETURNED CHECKS	Lists returned or undeliverable client checks. Action must be taken within 5 days to reissue or cancel.
APPROVED VENDORS	A list of all vendors for a locality and the type of service provided by the vendor.
UNPAID CRISIS	Provides, optionally by worker, agency or vendor, an alpha listing of approved cases updated daily for which no payment has been made. Worker #, case name, case #, crisis type and amount unpaid are displayed.
CRISIS PENDING	Provides, optionally by worker or agency, an alpha listing updated daily of all pending crisis applications. Worker # case name, case #, application date, crisis type and # of days pending is displayed.
EQUIPMENT DENIALS	Provides list of denied Fuel applications and closed cases due to ineligible equipment type codes. Review list to determine accuracy of coding or need for Crisis application. Case action will be reflected in updated listing which provides case number, denial or closure, original disposition date, heating equipment type, last fuel disposition & disposition date, last Crisis disposition, last Crisis disposition date, client's last name, and locality FIPS
FUEL/CRISIS	Statewide and local case count and expenditure statistics for the previous season used for reporting to General Assembly.

**EFFECTIVENESS** The number of cases needing assistance from other programs and select denial reasons are shown to provide an idea of

unmet needs.

**REPORT** 

#### VENDOR LIST - ACCESSING AND READING

Note: Dual localities should **highlight their locality FIPS** code at the top of the page to avoid confusion.

Click Energy Assistance Inquiry on the TUMS menu.

Tab down to Reports Menu and press enter

Tab down to Approved Vendors and press enter.

Press the F7 key to print your list

The following fields are displayed across the page:

**Vendor** # A six digit number beginning with 100 has been assigned to each vendor.

**Services & Fuel** Services or fuel provided by the vendor are identified by code for the Crisis Component to the **left** of the field.

A = Repair Heating Equipment R = Trip Charge

B = Purchase of Heating Equip T = Heating Equipment Maintenance or accessories

D = Security Deposit W = Primary Deliverable Fuel (oil, kerosene, wood, coal, or propane)

F = Buy Portable Space Heater X = Primary Utility Fuel (electric or natural gas)

G = Emergency Shelter

**Vendor Name** Company name, city of location and the telephone number are shown.

#### **VENDOR MASTER**

From the main screen select Vendor Menu. From the Vendor Master tab to the Security Deposit Option Vendors and enter. This screen will provide you with a listing of all vendors who participate as Security Deposit Options Vendors. These vendors agree not to collect the security deposit if the customer pays their bill in a timely manner for the next 365 days. When you approve the security deposit to an option vendor the Crisis screen will show a C0 (zero) code in the disposition field with no money showing under payment summery where a "D" for Deposit is indicated.

#### **INPUT DOCUMENTS**

It is not necessary to use an Input document to record data to be entered on the system. If an Input document is used a clean document with no preprinted information is preferable for the initial entry of data. There are three types of input documents.

A **blank document** can be found <a href="http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/files/ea/forms/General\_Energy\_Assistance/032-03-080-16.pdf">http://www.localagency.dss.state.va.us/divisions/bp/files/ea/forms/General\_Energy\_Assistance/032-03-080-16.pdf</a> .

"B" document = a computer generated document containing preprinted information taken from the Food Stamp database or from the Energy Assistance database based on matchable demographic data. Caution must be exercised when using a "B" document to activate this year's applications.

**Turnaround Document (TD)** = a computer generated document containing information from a previous component. Caution must be exercised when using a TD to activate this year's applications. It could cause incorrect data to be used if not corrected and updated with current information.

A turnaround document (TD) is optionally printed in the agency as a result of pending an application or when a change is entered in the system. The TD is printed when PID # is entered on the menu prior to entering/updating data. If a TD is not desired 999 must be entered in lieu of PID #.

# **ERRORS, CORRECTIONS & MESSAGES**

Error messages result from incorrectly keyed information. Messages consist of a 3 digit numeric code and some have an alpha character, ex. 502A. The alpha character helps Data Systems identify the area in which the error has occurred in the system. To resolve an error read the message carefully and correctly re-key the element in which the error has occurred. If changing the information keyed in the element in question does not resolve your problem, print a copy of the screen showing the error message(s) or press Alt and Print Screen buttons simultaneously and paste screen copy into an email and send to your Program Contact.

Error correction and change requests are accomplished by submission of the Action Request Form. The Action Request Form is a generic form to request several different actions to be taken by your Energy Assistance Contact. This form can be obtained from VDSS Local Agency Internet, EA Forms or in BP Forms Energy Folder. Complete the appropriate section completely and forward this form by fax (804) 726-7358 or pouch to your Energy Contact or call of email in a MAGIC ticket at 1-800-223-8846 or <a href="mailto:dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us">dishelpdesk@dss.state.va.us</a>.

Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Social Services Energy Assistance Program ACTION REQ	UEST FORM
FROM: Locality/FIPS Supervisor Name	Telephone Number Date Received
The change indicated below is needed in the Fuel, Crisis, C	
Case Name	Case #
I. DELETE SSN  Client's SSN Spouse's SSN  Spouse's Name:  SSN to be removed  REASON:	II. COOLING PAYMENT CORRECTION  Correct Payment Amount: \$  Amount Keyed: \$  To Be paid: \$  REASON:
Include copy of Client Data Screen showing SSN(s)  III. DIRECT PAY NEEDED  Indicate Change Reason:	For Cooling Code B only. Include copy of the screen showing payment history  IV. REMOVE WARRANTY OR SECURITY DEPOSIT  WARRANTY - Date currently in system?  SECURITY DEPOSIT - Original Date  Vendor  Which type? (Select one) (1) Electric (2) Nat. Gas (7) LP gas REASON:
	Include copy of original equipment warranty whenever possible
AP Specialist Signature: Date:	Data Entry Date: Disposition:

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# **TROUBLESHOOTING**

PROBLEM ACTION ACTION

**DIRECT PAYMENTS** 

Case number incorrect Do not activate case. See Chapter E, App. A
Check not received Check payment history screen to confirm it was issued.

Follow procedures in Chapter E 5.

Crisis code incorrect

Name on check incorrect Follow the cancelled check procedure in Chapter E 6.

Deposit code incorrect Call Help Desk to request change.

Change name in system. Request re-issuance through your

Program Contact.

Social Security number incorrect Do not activate case. Submit Action Request to

**VENDOR** 

**SYSTEM** 

EAP Contact. Wait for response.

Cannot correct. Retrieve CA, close case and reopen.

# **INCORRECT PAYMENT**

Incorrect

Wrong Crisis Type

Vendor number incorrect Obtain incorrect CA and make change in the system.

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Agency error. Repay overpayment to State. Pay underpayments to customer or vendor (Chapter E 4)

Or Utility account number incorrect Change account # in the system.

Living arrangement Customer error. Collect overpayment from the customer.

Incorrect Underpayments are not corrected (Chapter E 4)

Change to Direct pay Send Action Request to Program Contact.

Unpaid deposit options Refer vendor representative to vendor's own central office for

procedures to request payment.

No CA received by vendor

Check CA Inquiry for date generated; if more

Complete COPE. Send copy of check/warrant with COPE. (form is than a week ago call or Email the Help Desk for in the VDSS Local Agency Internet. EA Forms) LDSS must pay reissue.

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### DISPOSITION CODES

#### **COMPUTER GENERATED**

# P1 = Pending

# Codes resulting from "ED" (eligibility determination)

A1 = Approved

R1 = Reopen in new locality

R4 = Reopen in same locality

#### **Denials**

D1 = Income exceeds maximum income level

D3 = Ineligible living arrangement

D4 = No heating expense

D5 = Ineligible alien status

D7 = Warranty in effect

D8 = Security deposit previously received

D9 = Out of funds

#### Closures

C0 = Payment made, Deposit waived

C1 = Income exceeds maximum level

C3 = Ineligible living arrangement

C4 = No heating expense

C5 = Ineligible alien status

C7 = Warranty in effect

C8 = Security deposit previously received

C9 = Out of funds

#### LOCALLY ENTERED

#### **Denials**

DI = Failed to provide income verification

DJ = Member of another household

DK = Assistance available once per program year.

DM = No Crisis exists

DN = Other resources have met need

DO = Requested assistance not offered

DP = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

DQ = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment

DR = Applicant's request

DS = Assistance offered would not alleviate crisis

DT = Crisis application received after deadline

DU = Death of only eligible household member

DV = Not a resident of this locality

DW = Application already on file (only for different case number)

DY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

### Closures

CI = Failed to provide income verification

CJ = Member of another household

CK = Assistance available once/program year

CM = No crisis exists or assistance would not alleviate crisis

CN = Other resources have met need

CO = Requested assistance not offered.

CP = Moved or unable to locate

CQ = Not responsible for heating bill or equipment

CR = applicant's request

CS = Assistance offered would not alleviate crisis

CT = Application received after deadline

CU = death of only eligible household member

CV = Not a resident of this locality

CW = Application already on file

CX = Changing Crisis type of assistance

CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification

# **CHANGING DISPOSITION CODES**

P1 = System generated on initial entry; can be changed to ED for resulting A1 or R4 code. Also, can be changed to DI – DY for local denial.
ED= Eligibility Determination; results in an A1, C0 - C9, D1 - D9, or R4 disposition code
A1= Approved; DI to DY or CI - CY to deny or close the case.
D = Denied; any denial code can be changed to ED or P1 or to a local denial code of DI – DY.
C = Closed; any closure codes can be changed to ED for resulting R1 or R4 or an ED to $CI - CY$ .
R1= Reopen in new locality; can be changed to ED for resulting R1 code or to DI - DY or CI - CY to deny or close the case
R4= Reopen in same locality; can be changed to ED for resulting R4 code or to DI - DY or CI - CY to deny or close the case.

NOTE: A CASE IN "C" STATUS CAN ONLY BE CHANGED TO ANOTHER "C" CODE.

### LOCAL DISPOSITION CODE CLIENT NOTICE MESSAGES

Denial code and closure code second character is identical. Be sure to pick the code that best reflects the appropriate message for the case situation. Also determine appropriate use of closure or denial code from the changing disposition code section of this guide.

### DI or CI = Failed to provide income verification

Your application for crisis assistance was denied for failure to provide income verification of all persons in the home.

#### DJ or CJ = Member of another household

Your application for crisis assistance was denied. You are considered a member of another eligible household.

# DK or CK = Assistance available once per program year.

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. The type of assistance you requested is available only once per program year. Your household has already received assistance this program year.

#### DM or CM= No crisis exists

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. Your current situation is not considered a crisis in accordance with the rules of this Program. The Program is unable to help you at this time.

#### DN or CN = Other resources have met need

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. You have received help with your situation from other sources and are no longer in need of assistance from this Program.

### DO = Assistance requested not offered

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. The Energy Assistance Program does not offer the assistance you requested.

# DP or CP = Unable to locate applicant

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. You have either moved from this locality or into someone else's home, or we have been unable to contact you.

# DQ or CQ = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. You have not provided proof that you are responsible for heating your home.

### DR or CR = Applicant's request

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. You or a household member requested withdrawal of the application. If this information is incorrect, please contact the agency immediately.

# DS or CS = Assistance would not alleviate crisis.

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. The maximum funds available for the type of assistance you requested would not

alleviate your crisis situation. The Program is unable to assist you at this time.

# DT or CT = Application received after program deadline

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. This is a seasonal Program and the application period has ended. Your application was received after the Program application period ended.

## DU or CU = Death of only eligible HH member

The application for crisis assistance has been denied. A program eligible household member no longer resides in the home. Contact us if this information is incorrect.

# DV or CV = Not a resident of this locality

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied because you do not live in this locality. Please apply prior to the application deadline in the locality where you reside.

## DW or CW = Application already on file

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied. An application was previously received and approved for assistance. An additional application is not necessary.

CX = Allows the agency to change the crisis type or vendor. A case should not be left in a CX status. Make the necessary changes the same day that you change the case disposition to CX.

# DY or CY = Failed to provide non-financial verification.

Your application for crisis assistance has been denied for failure to provide requested verifications. Please contact the local agency and provide the requested verification for possible re-evaluation of your situation.

### CRISIS ASSISTANCE TRANSACTIONS

The following pages provide guidance on processing applications for Crisis Assistance.

Instruction on the necessary data to be input into the system to accomplish a transaction on a Crisis Assistance application or to make changes to an active case is also provided.

Use function key **F5** to access the Crisis screen.

Only use function keys **F1 or F8** when you have completed a transaction.

Function key **F10** voids the transaction and allows you to start the transaction over.

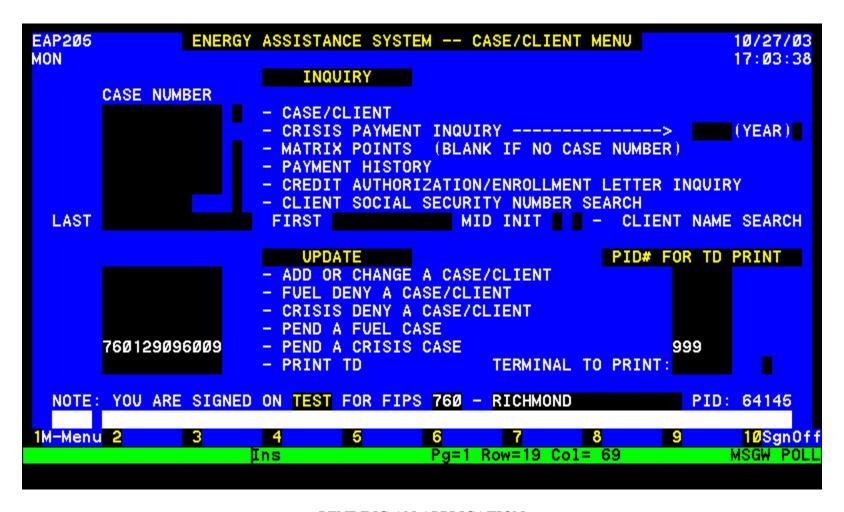
### CRISIS APPLICATION ON ACTIVE FUEL CASE

Prior to Fuel Benefit Determination

A Crisis Application can reveal **different household information** than that received in relation to the Fuel Application.

If updates or changes to household data **impact case eligibility**, the system will automatically go to the Fuel Screen with an "ED" displayed in the disposition field.

Fuel Assistance eligibility **must** be re-determined prior to determining eligibility for Crisis Assistance.



PENDING AN APPLICATION

Enter the case number of a new or existing case/application under UPDATE and enter the PID to print a Turnaround document. If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill.

TRANSMIT to complete required information for pending the application.

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CLIENT LAST: COLD FIRST: WEE MIDDLE: BEE SERVICE ADDR: 1122 WINDY CIRCLE MAIL ADDR: GENERAL DELIVERY CITY: RICH ST: VA ZIP-CODE: 23224- PHONE: (7Ø3)213-4567 SSN: 226Ø87318 SEX: M RACE: 2 ETHNIC: 2 SPOUSE SSN:
== PART 2 = HOUSEHOLD DATA =================================
CRISIS APPLICATION DATE: 11/03/2003 DISPOSITION DATE: 11/27/03 DISP CODE: P1
1M-Menu 2C-Menu 3 4 6 7 8Next 9 10Rstar

# **PENDING NEW APPLICATION** – Not known to the system

Complete the following:

Worker ID

PART 1 - CLIENT DATA

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

Service Address or delivery address: **Do not punctuate. Enter house number, street** name and Apt. #

Mailing address: Re-enter the service address if the same, otherwise enter P O Box,

General Delivery, RFD, etc).

Day Phone #.

Social Security # of applicant Male or Female or Unknown

Race: Enter one: 1 = White, 2 = Black, 3 = Am. Indian/Alaskan Native

4 = Asian, 5 = Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; <math>0 = Other

Ethnicity: Enter 1 or Y for Hispanic/Latino or 2 or N for not Hispanic/Latino

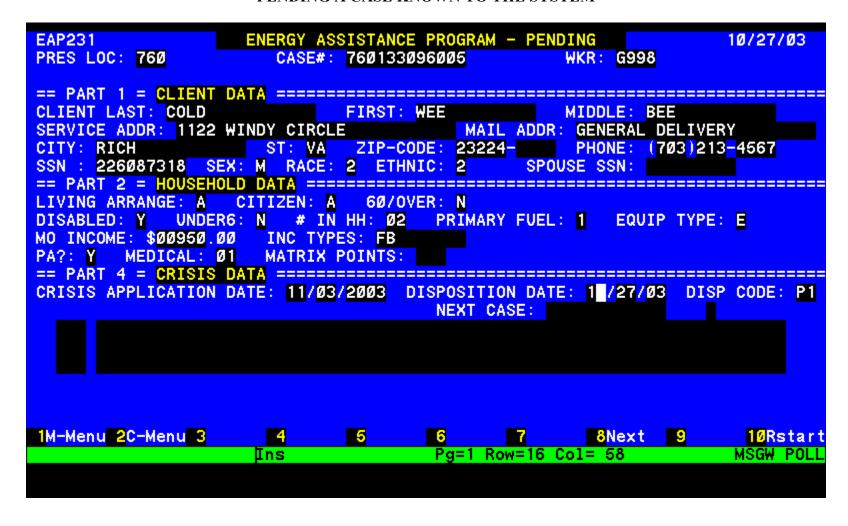
Spouse Social Security #, if known

PART 4 – CRISIS DATA

Crisis application date.

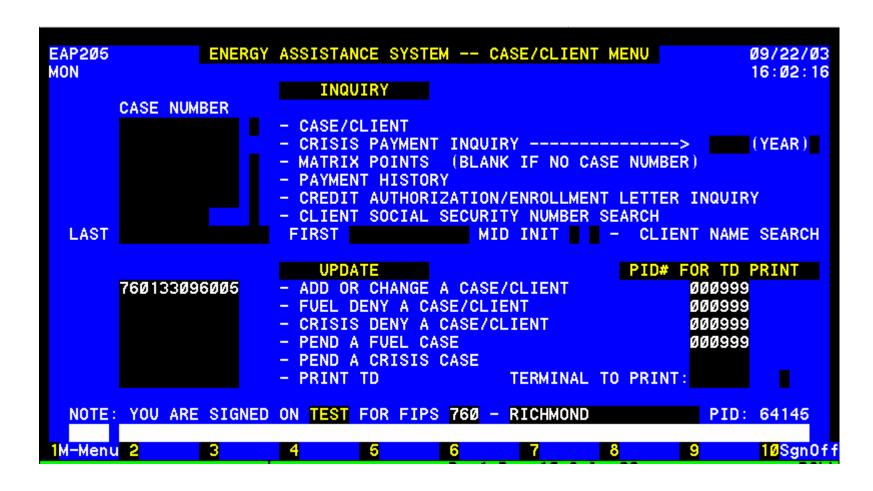
Transmit data using F1, F2, or F8. If the next case number is entered, F8 must be used to transmit

### PENDING A CASE KNOWN TO THE SYSTEM



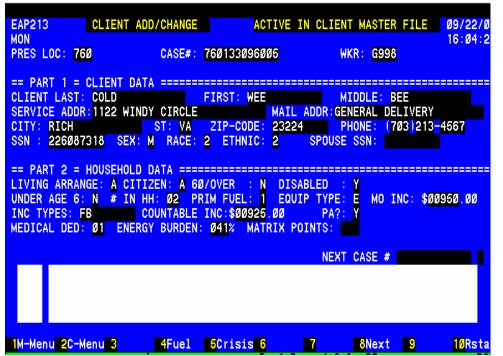
Complete only the worker number and the Crisis Application date under Crisis Data. The information previously entered in the system will populate the screen. This information may need to be changed prior to determining eligibility.

### UPDATING THE SYSTEM



An application can be pended, approved or denied at initial entry. Enter the case number of a pended, new or existing case/application under UPDATE next to ADD or CHANGE and enter the PID to print a Turnaround document, if desired. If no TD is wanted then enter 999, the field will zero fill.

### TRANSMIT.





### **DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY**

Client Data was entered when case was pended.

PART 2 - HOUSEHOLD DATA to be entered if not already present:

**Prim Fuel:** Enter the appropriate code:

0 = Red Kerosene4 = Clear Kerosene

1 = Electricity5 = Coal2 = Nat Gas6 = Wood3 = Fuel Oil7 = L P Gas

PA? Enter Y or N for a TANF, Food Stamps, Medicaid, GR or SSI Case.

Medical Ded: (00 - 10); count once each aged or disabled in household.

Living Arrange: Enter appropriate code from application:

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A = Homeowner, pays fuel bills	I = Roomer
B = Homeowner/renter no fuel bills	L = Lives in an ineligible facility
C = Renter pays fuel bills	or institution
E = Renter, fuel included in rent	P = Lives rent free in more than
F = Subsidized Renter occasionally	one room pays fuel bills
pays excess usage charges	Q = Temporarily lives in an
G = Subsidized renter regularly	emergency shelter
pays some fuel bills	
	•

Citizen: Enter one of the following:

A = HH members US citizens

B = HH contains eligible aliens

C = HH has one or more ineligible aliens D = HH of all ineligible aliens 60/over: Enter Y or N. Disabled: Enter Y or N. Under Age 6: Enter Y or N.

# in HH – enter 2 digit numbers, 01, 02, etc.

**MO INC**: enter gross amount using leading zeros.

# Hit Function Key F5 to go to PART 4 - Crisis

**Appl. Date:** Enter date if case not pended.

**Disp. Code**: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case. Crisis Code: Enter code indicating type of assistance

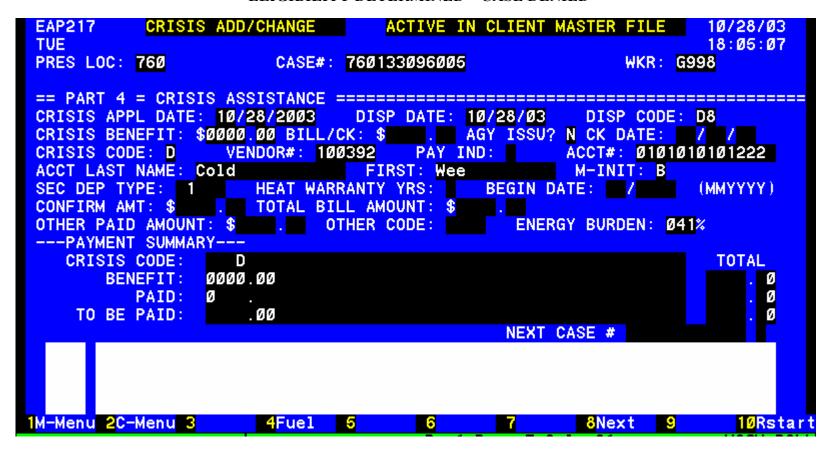
**Vendor:** Use vendor list for locality. Ensure crisis code is indicated for

vendor

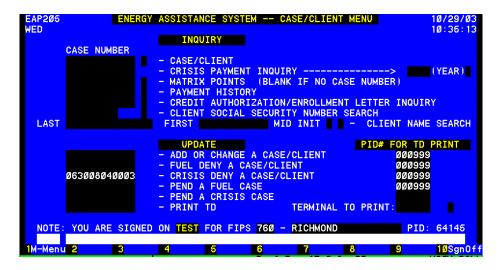
Acct # & Acct Name: Last Name, First & M. Init: Required for Fuel Types 1& 2.

Transmit using F1 or F8.

#### ELIGIBILITY DETERMINED – CASE DENIED



System determines eligibility and enters an alpha numeric disposition code. This household applied for a security deposit and was denied because the system has record of a security deposit having been provided sometime in the past.

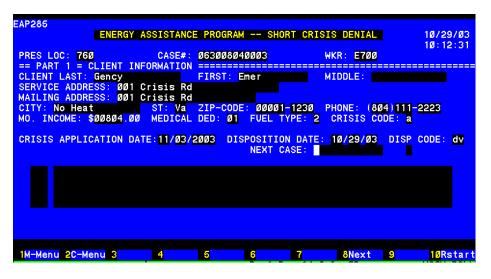


**DENIAL – INITIAL ENTRY** 

Use this function when the application has not been pended and the reason for denial can not be determined by the system.

Enter case number and PID to access the short denial screen.

DI = Failed to provide income	DQ = Not responsible for heating
verification	bills or equipment
DJ = Member of another household	DR = Applicant's request
DK = Assistance available once	DS = Assistance offered would
per program year.	not alleviate crisis
DN = Other resources have met	DT = Cooling Application
need	received after deadline
DO = Requested assistance not	DU = Death of only eligible
offered	household member
DP = Moved or Unable to locate	DV = Not a resident of this
applicant	locality
	DW = Application already on file
	DY = Failed to provide non-
	financial verification



### SHORT DENIAL ENTRY

This can be used for new cases, cases not activated or cases in "P" or "D" Status

Complete the following:

Worker ID

PART 1 - CLIENT INFO

Applicant legal name, no nicknames

Service Address: **Do not** 

punctuate.

Enter house number, street name and Apt #

Mailing address: Re-enter address or P O Box, General Delivery, RFD, etc)

Phone Number

MO Income: using leading zeros

enter dollar amount

Enter the income codes (This is a new field. It is also a required field.)

Medical Ded: enter the number of people disabled or age 60 and over

Crisis application date

Disposition Code: reason for denial

F8 to complete the short denial



### **DENY PENDED APPLICATION**

Enter case number in the Update section of the Case/Client Menu.

### Transmit

Select F5 from the general screen of the case to get to the Crisis Add/Change screen to make a disposition.



### Enter appropriate local denial code.

DI = Failed to provide income verification

DJ = Member of another household

DM = No Crisis Exist

DN = Other resources have met need

DO = Requested assistance not offered

DP = Moved or Unable to locate applicant

DQ = Not responsible for heating bills or equipment

DR = Applicant's request

DS = Assistance offered would not alleviate crisis

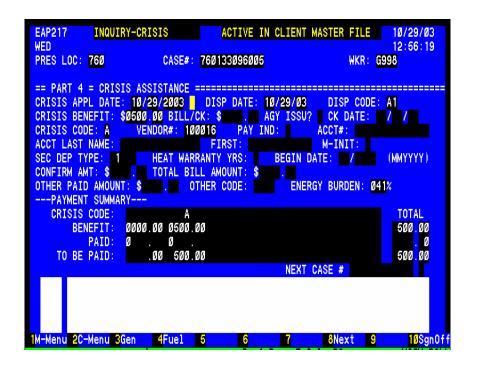
DT = Fuel Application received after deadline

DU = Death of only eligible household member

DV = Not a resident of this locality

DW = Application already on file

DY = Failed to provide non-financial verification





#### **PAYING THE BILL**

Enter case number in the Update section of the Case/Client Menu.

**Transmit** 

Select F5 from the general screen of the case to get to the Crisis Add/Change screen to pay the bill.

Disposition is A1. Do not change.

Vendor has returned CA with bill amount indicated or attached.

Bills for heating equipment MUST be itemized.

Complete the following to pay the bill

**Bill/Ck**: with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g. 0325 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL.

**Heat Warranty Yrs:** enter number of years for warranty (1-9 or 0 for ten or more).

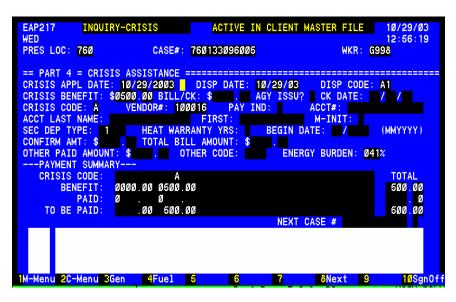
Begin Date: enter 2 digit month and 4 digit year for warranty

**Confirm Amount & Total Bill Amount:** Repeat bill/check amount entry.

**TRANSMIT using F8 or F1** 

## **BILL REQUIRES CHANGE BEFORE PAYING**

Vendor could not provide authorized service but did provide a service requiring payment.



CA issued for repair. CA and itemized bill received for heating equipment purchase or a trip charge because repair could not be done.



Worker must close the repair authorization in order to pay the bill.

Enter **CX** in the disposition code field.

Transmit using F8. Continue to next page.



Once the disposition shows CX, enter the following:

**Disp. Code**: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

Crisis Benefit: Enter exact amount of bill Crisis Code: Enter appropriate code:

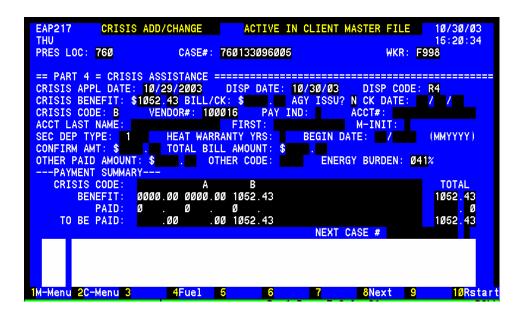
B = purchase heating equipment

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R = Trip charge

T = Supplement equip. or maintenance

NOTE: These transactions can occur same day.



The case will now show a disposition of R4. To pay the bill enter as follows:

**Bill/Ck:** with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g. 1052 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL. This entry will not display.

**Heat Warranty Yrs:** enter number of years for warranty (1-9 or 0 for ten or more).

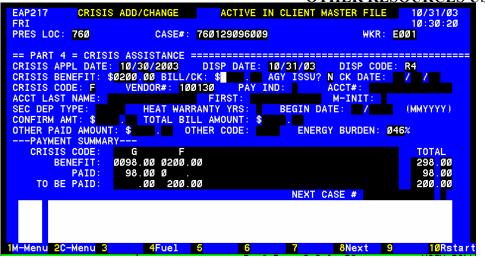
Begin Date: enter 2 digit month and 4 digit year for warranty

Confirm Amount: Repeat bill/check amount entry

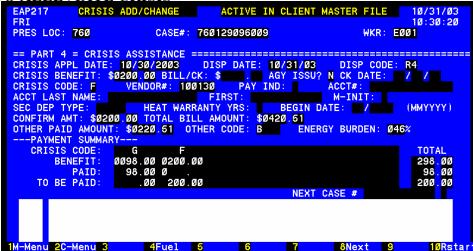
**Total Bill Amount:** Repeat bill/check amount entry.

**Transmit using F8** 

OTHER RESOURCES USED TO ALLEVIATE CRISIS



In this example the client needed emergency shelter for several days. Crisis can only pay up to \$200. Other resources were needed before Crisis can pay.



At the time the bill from the shelter is paid the other resources used to cover full payment must be entered in the system. Complete as follows:

**Bill/Ck**: with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g. 0200 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL. This entry will not display.

Confirm Amount: Repeat bill/check amount entry

**Total Bill Amount:** Enter total bill amount including money paid by other resources

**Other Paid Amount:** Enter the amount paid through other resources for this emergency.

**Other Code:** Enter the appropriate codes to indicate all the resources:

A = Paid by Household Member

B = Paid by Private Community Resource

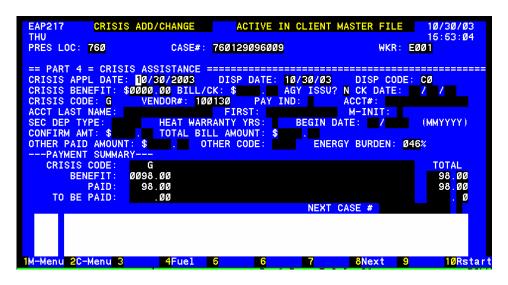
C = Paid by Public/Governmental Resource

D = Paid by non-household member (individual

## **Transmit using F8**

NOTE: Other resources are entered with the first of multiple payments. Enter amount of other resource one time only regardless of the number of crisis payments it will take to resolve the problem

#### MULTIPLE TYPES OF ASSISTANCE



Applicant applied for 2 types of assistance.

Only one type of assistance can be provided at a time. Case must be approved, CA issued, CA/bill returned and paid before another type of assistance can be provided.

In this example one bill has been paid and case closed by the system.

### To provide another type of assistance complete the following:

**Disp. Code**: Enter ED to determine eligibility of the case.

**Crisis Benefit**: Enter exact amount for type of assistance requested if known.

A = Repair Heating Equipment  $\hat{R}$  = Trip Charge

B = Purchase Heating Equipment
D = Security Deposit
F = Portable Space heater

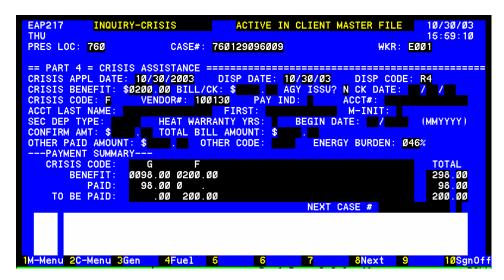
T = Accessories/Maintenance
W = Oil, Kero, LP, coal & wood
X = Electricity or Natural gas

**Vendor:** Select from the vendor list for locality, if necessary.

Acct #: Required for codes D and X, security deposit and utility bills. Acct Last Name, First & M. Init: Required for X, utility bill & D, security deposit.

**Sec Dep Type**: Put code 1, electricity in position 2; code 2, natural gas in position 3 and code 7, propane in position 5 when assistance is for a security deposit.

Transmit using F8.



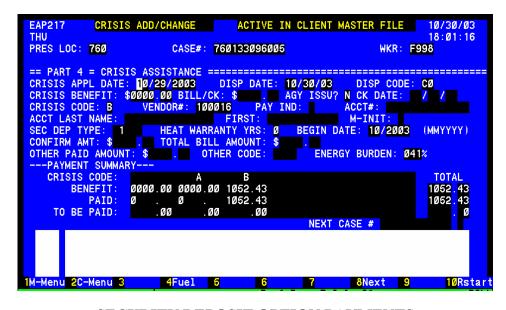
The case is now in R4 status. Upon return of the bill complete the following:

**Bill/Ck:** with leading zero enter dollar bill amount, e.g. 0200 then enter cents. DO NOT ENTER A DECIMAL. This entry will not display.

Confirm Amount: Repeat bill/check amount entry

**Total Bill Amount:** Repeat bill/check amount entry.

**Transmit using F8** 

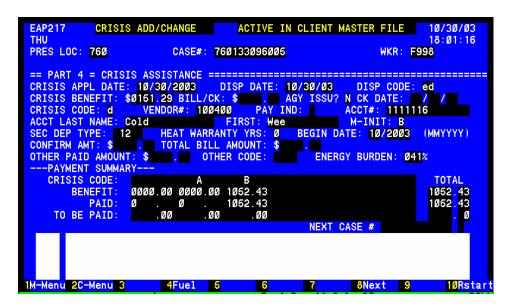


### SECURITY DEPOSIT OPTION PAYMENTS

This case has been paid and closed by the system.

The case now needs a security deposit. The vendor is an option vendor who will waive the security deposit for our customers.

A credit authorization is issued but no check is issued to a Security Deposit Option Vendor and the case is automatically closed by the system.



**Approving & Paying Security Deposit Option Cases** 

Complete the following fields:

**Application Date:** 

**Disposition Code:** enter ED

Crisis Benefit: the exact amount of the deposit must be entered

**Enter Correct Vendor Number:** Check approved vendor list

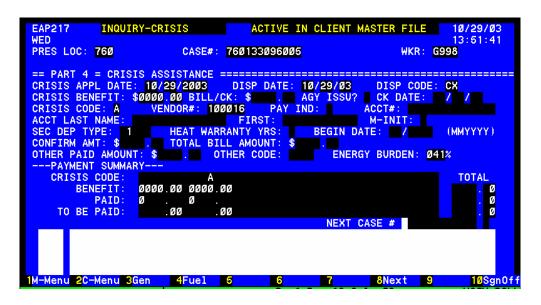
Crisis Code: enter D

Account Number: use verified account number

Account Name: must be a household member's name

**Security Deposit Type:** enter code 1, electricity in position 2 or code 2, natural gas in position 2

natural gas in position 3



Case closed ready for same day change. No notice is generated to the customer.

Credit authorization returned and requested assistance not provided. Use disposition code CX.. Enter the case number at the bottom of the screen in order to re-access this case. Press the F8 key. The case will be closed and you will see the general screen for the case again. Press the F5 key for the crisis screen. Complete the appropriate following transaction:

Enter "ED", the system will determine eligibility of the case.

To pay trip charge, enter exact amount of bill not to exceed \$50.00. Change crisis code "A" to code "R".

To Change Type of Assistance and/or Vendor -Enter maximum benefit amount for new type of assistance (change crisis code from "A" to "F" or "G" or "X" to "W". Enter the new vendor number.

**Transmit using F1 or F8** for new credit authorization issuance.